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THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

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**Republican Union State Convention.**

The state convention for the purpose of electing delegates to the Baltimore national convention, to be held on the 7th of June next, for the nomination of a successor to President Lincoln, met in St. Paul on Wednesday, 2d inst. The several counties of the state were generally well represented, and had the president, D. W. Ingersoll, of Ramsey, been more prompt and efficient every thing would have passed off nicely. As it was the entire day was consumed in unnecessary strife and bickerings, which should not have been permitted by the chair.

The following platform was reported by R. J. Baldwin, of Hennepin, chairman of committee on resolutions:

*Resolved*, That this convention invites all citizens of Minnesota, irrespective of their political antecedents, who are in favor of the suppression of the rebellion and the maintenance of the federal union, to unite in the support of the candidate for president and vice president of the United States, who shall be nominated at the national convention to be held in the city of Baltimore on the 7th of June next.

*Resolved*, That while we deplore the necessity of war, and would hail the advent of peace, a sense of the paramount duty to ourselves and our posterity of maintaining freedom and constitutional government, requires that the war should be waged, until armed rebellion shall be crushed.

*Resolved*, That whatever terms of pardon or restoration may be granted to those who have been engaged in rebellion, no rights or guaranties should be restored to slavery which have been forfeited and destroyed by rebellion and war.

*Resolved*, That we most heartily endorse the great measures inaugurated by the present national administration for the suppression of rebellion, the perpetuity of the Union, and the extirpation of slavery; and we recommend the nomination of Abraham Lincoln as president of the United States for the next presidential term.

*Resolved*, That this convention protests against the repeal of the Homestead Law, or any change therein which shall abridge the privilege now granted to the people to secure free homes on the public domain.

*Resolved*, That every citizen of Minnesota who has been engaged in the military service of the government merits the deepest gratitude of the people; and while we hold sacred the memory of the dead, we tender to the living our thanks.

After many ballotings and much confusion, the following delegates were chosen:

Thomas Simpson, of Winona County.

W. G. Butler, of Wright County.

D. Cameron, of Houston County.

Charles M. Bailey, of Ramsey County.

Charles Taylor, of Rice County.

John McKusick, of Washington County.

D. G. Shillock, of Brown County.

Warren Bristol, of Goodhue County.

Alternates were elected as follows:

T. H. Armstrong, of Olmstead, alternate for Mr. Simpson.

A. R. Kiefer, of Ramsey, alternate for Mr. Daily.

H. Z. Mitchell, of Stearns, alternate for Mr. Butler.

Eli Robinson, of Dakota, alternate for Mr. Bristol.

Geo. F. Potter, of Houston, alternate for Mr. Cameron.

Geo. Watson, of Freeborn, alternate for Mr. Shillock.

Russell Blakely, of Ramsey, alternate for Mr. McKusick.

After a vote of thanks to Mr. Ingersoll "for the able and impartial (?) manner in which he had discharged the arduous duties of presiding officer of the convention," it adjourned *sine die*.

The force of the regular army has received a somewhat sudden augmentation. The November act giving regulars bounties like volunteers has resulted in increased recruiting. There are now, it is believed, nearly 30,000 regulars in the service; and as the total strength of that branch of the service ought to be only about 40,000, its friends hope to have that number enlisted ere long.

**The Ford Case.**

We find that our ideas in a leading article last week have been misunderstood by a number. It was occasioned by the unwarrantable interference of Mr. Washburne, in a manner which we heartily disapproved of. We have since, however, been placed in possession of facts which, had we known of them in season, would have prevented its appearance. We knew nothing of said Joseph Ford, and, of course, being in the army, we supposed him a worthy man. It now appears that he is not. At least, we have good authority for so stating, by men who have known him long and well. It is said to be a well-planned scheme to defraud several citizens of Northfield out of honest claims upon the estate, and, through sympathy for a soldier, it received its recommendation from the committee on private land claims in the house. If such be the case, as we have the best of reason to believe, it should be at once attended to by our representative. No trick of this sort, backed up by misrepresentation, should be allowed to work injustice to any one.

**Home for Disabled Soldiers.**

Frank Moore, esq., of New York, has matured his plan for providing a respectable home and comfortable abode and support to disabled soldiers, without putting them in the degraded position of paupers, nourished by charity, and secured the funds to set it in operation. The institution is intended to be within easy reach of the city, and is to consist of a large farm, shops, and a dwelling house. Any disabled soldier desiring to enter may do so for not less than a year, term renewable at pleasure. On entering he allots his pension to the institution for the agreed time only, and is thereby entitled to apartment, food, and clothing. He may work or not at his trade, or on the farm or garden. If he does his earnings are his own, except a small allowance to the institution to pay expenses. Highly respected citizens have taken hold of the matter, and a charter is to be procured for the institution.

**Congressional.**

By the *Globe*, Feb. 20th, we notice that Hon. I. Donnelly, M. C. from this district, introduced into the house the memorial of the legislature of the state of Minnesota for the establishment of a mail route from Hastings, Dakota County, to Shakopee, Scott County, in said state.

Also, the memorial of the legislature of the state of Minnesota in relation to a land grant in aid of the construction of the Lake Superior and Mississippi Railroad.

Also, the memorial of the Legislature of the state of Minnesota for the erection of a line of military posts from Fort Abercrombie, in Dakota Territory, to Bannock City, in Idaho Territory.

Also, the memorial of the legislature of the state of Minnesota for the establishment of a mail route from Carver, in Carver County, via Waconia, to Watertown, in said county.

The post-office department of Canada, having for the sake of uniformity consented to so modify the postal arrangements between the United States and Canada of 1851 as to establish a uniform postage on letters of ten cents, the single rate between Canada and all parts of the United States, it is ordered by Postmaster-General Blair that in future the international postage charge upon all letters between Canada and any part of the United States shall be ten cents the single rate for half an ounce or under, prepayment optional, without regard to difference of distance or route of conveyance.

The legislature adjourned *sine die* last Friday noon. The customary vote of thanks was tendered to the president of the senate and speaker of the house. The latter, Hon. Jared Benson, was presented with a handsome photographic album, arranged to contain two hundred, and filled with photographs of the members of the house. The presentation speech was made by Hon. J. P. Kidder, of Ramsey.

The Boston *Journal* remarks: "Not one-tenth part of the local news which transpires in any country town finds its way into a city paper and he who takes the latter, to the exclusion of his town or county papers, does not fulfill his duty as a citizen. Such a man is not worthy to fill a town office, for he certainly lacks local pride."

The people of certain portions of this state are in a fever of excitement over the supposed discovery of immense coal mines. Whether they are of practical utility remains to be seen.

**From the 2d Cavalry.**

RICHMOND, Minn., March 2d, 1864.

Editor Conserver.

I have the pleasure to inform you that Company F is at this place nicely ensconsed, and in a healthy condition, generally speaking. We left Fort Snelling on the 23d of February and arrived here on the 27th. We were transported in government wagons, seven in number, drawn by six mules each. On the 23d, we encamped at Coon Creek. The boys slept in a barn close by. The proprietor is a man in every sense of the word. On the 24th we camped at Big Lake, and on the 25th we reached St. Cloud, and laid over until the 27th, when we took up the line of march and reached this point in the evening.

The land from Fort Snelling up to St. Cloud is not good by any means, some of it is too poor to sprout white beans. Anoka is a nice little town, and at present the head of rail road navigation in Minnesota. St. Cloud—the home of Gov. Miller—is rather an inviting and I should say a prosperous town. It contains several good buildings, better on an average than Hastings. The situation is nice, the country surrounding is beautiful, the soil being rich and fertile. The qualities of St. Cloud can not be too much extolled Politically it is rotten. There is not one spark of loyalty or genuine unionism in the place. One word, and you will know the cause. The Catholics hold the balance of power. This is the curse throughout Stearns County. One would imagine while passing along the road that he was traveling in Mexico. Every four or five miles there are great crosses erected with Latin inscriptions on the bar. I may be counted wild in my remarks, but the next internal struggle in this country will be a war upon the Catholics.

Well, what of Richmond? Considerable, but I shall say but little. It contains one hotel, one store, one saloon, and some three or four houses, outside of the military quarters. The hotel is kept by one Freeman, a nice clever man, willing to do the best he can to accomodate his customers and the soldiers. He is the village post-master, *ergo* he supports the government up to the handle. It is situated on the Sauk River about twenty-five miles from St. Cloud. The soil is rich. There is quite a settlement of Germans close by. Game is in abundance; some of the boys were out yesterday with their revolvers, and returned with some fifty odd rabits, three pheasants, and one prairie wolf. That was pretty good luck, considering that the boys never practiced with their revolvers before. The Indians will keep scarce of Company F after this. Our quarters here are good and warm, built of logs. The rooms are large enough to accomodate from eight to twelve men each.

Parties addressing letters to soldiers should direct their letters to Torah Post-Office, as that is the name of the office. Richmond being the name given to the town. QUERCUS.

**Gen. Kilpatrick's Raid.**

The Washington *Republican*, of March 4th, says: "We are authorized to announce that the government has received a dispatch from Gen. Butler announcing that Kilpatrick has succeeded in cutting the railroad and telegraphic communications of Lee with Richmond, by tearing up the rails on the Virginia Central Railroad at various points, and destoying the canal and mills on the James River. He burned other property belonging to the rebels, inflicting a severe blow on the rebellion. He was met by the enemy outside the defenses at Richmond, but succeeded in forcing them inside the outer works, where a spirited engagement ensued. When darkness came on the contest ended. Kilpatrick, finding the enemy and the works too strong to allow him to reach the city and accomplish the object of the expedition, then withdrew, and reached the lines of Gen. Butler with the loss of about 150 men."

Amoy is a seaport town of China, on an island of the same name, nearly opposite the center of the island of Formosa. It is situated at the southernly end of the island, at the mouth of two united rivers. The town was captured by the British in 1841, and is still in the possession of England.

**The Draft.**

The bounties paid to recruits having been extended to the 1st of April next, the draft is necessarily delayed for a few days, in order to allow townships to complete their quotas. Now is the time to rush in the men.

It is stated by manufacturers of artificial wooden limbs, that they make eight left legs for soldiers to two right, and about the same proportion of right arms to left ones, showing that about four times as many left legs as right are hit, and four right arms to one left.


**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**

U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE.

*Annual Taxes for 1864.*

The attention of tax-payers is hereby called to the provisions of the United States Excise Law relative to the assessment of annual taxes.

By the sixth section of the act of July 1, 1862, it is made the duty of all persons, partnerships, firms, associations, or corporations, made liable to any annual duty, license, or tax, on or before the 1st Monday of May in each year, to make a list or return to the assistant assessor of the district where so located of the amount of annual income, the articles or objects charged with a special tax, and the business or occupation liable to pay any license.

Every person who shall fail to make such return by the day specified will be liable to be assessed by the assessor according to the best information which he can obtain; and in such case the assessor is required to add fifty per centum to the amount of the items of said list.

Every person who shall deliver to an assessor any false or fraudulent list or statement, with intent to evade the valuation or enumeration required by law, is subject to a fine of five hundred dollars: and in such case the list will be made out by the assessor or assistant assessor, and from the valuation and enumeration so made there can be no appeal.

Payment of the annual taxes, except those for licenses, will not be demanded until the 30th day of June.

The appropriate blanks on which to make return and all necessary information will be furnished by ELI ROBINSON, assistant assessor for the 3d Division, to whom the returns should be delivered on or before the first Monday of May, at his office in **Hastings.**

H. G. O. MORRISON,
U. S. Assessor, 2d District.
St. Paul, Feb. 29, 1864. 48-3w

HARDWARE. HARDWARE.

**New Store and New Goods.**

H. H. PRINGLE,

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

HARDWARE,

IRON, NAILS,

**Stoves and Tinware,**

MECHANICS' TOOLS,

BUILDING MATERIALS,

AGRICULT'L IMPLEMENTS,

*Plows, Paints, Oils, Glass, Sash, Doors, Blinds, Etc.*

TIN, SHEET IRON,

AND

COPPER WORK

On hand or made to order.

Hastings, March 8, 1864. 48-tf

WINONA AND HASTINGS

**MARBLE WORKS.**

The subscriber would respectfully give notice to the people of Hastings and elsewhere that he has constantly on hand the largest stock of Foreign and American Marbles ever brought west of Lake Michigan, consisting of all kinds of

LARGE SPIRE MONUMENTS,
ISKELETON MONUMENTS,
GRAVE STONES, MANTELS,
FURNITURE MARBLE, ETC.,

which he will finish to order in the most approved styles and for the lowest cash price. Parties wishing to purchase will do well to wait till my agent comes around or to write to me, before purchasing elsewhere. C. J. ALDRICH.

Shop opposite the court-house, Winona, and on Second Street, below Tyler, Hastings, Minn. 18-tf

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W. P. STANLEY,

Wholesale and Retail Dealer in

**Books, Stationery, Wall Paper,**

*TOYS, AND YANKEE NOTIONS.*

Agent for the celebrated Florence Sewing Machine and Prince & Son's Melodeons.
Hastings, Jan. 1, 1864. 39-tf

FRED. B. CURTISS. W. C. COWLES.

CURTISS & COWLES,

DEALERS IN

Shoe and Harness Leather,

saddlery hardware, shoe findings, etc., Ramsey Street, near Levee, and lumber of all descriptions at corner of Second and Eddy Streets.
Hastings, Feb. 19, 1866. 48-tf

**NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.**

PUTNAM CLOTHES-WRINGER.

*The Only Reliable Self-Adjusting Wringer.*

The frame being of iron, thoroughly galvanized, all danger from rust is removed, and the liability to shrink, swell, split, etc., so unavoidable in wooden machines, is prevented. No thumbscrews or complicated fastenings to wear out or get out of repair; it can be fastened firmly to the tub in a single second. Warranted with or without cog wheels.

Instead of believing the statements of parties interested in the sale of other Wringers, try it and judge for yourself. Test it thoroughly with any and all others, and, if not entirely successful, return it. It will wring anything from a thread to a bed quilt without alteration.

Patented in the United States, England, Canada, and Australia. Agents wanted in every town. Energetic men can make from $3 to $10 per day.

Putnam Manufacturing Co., Gentleman:

I know from practical experience that iron well galvanized with zinc will not oxidize or rust one particle. I can safely say, after three years' experience in the manufacture of chain for chain pumps and water drawers, in which I have tested the affinity of iron and zinc, that if the process be conducted properly it is a perfect weld of the two.

Nearly one year ago my family commenced using one of your wringers. It now performs all of its functions as well as it did the first time it was used, and has become an indispensable article with us. I have closely observed several other kinds of clothes-wringers, the modus operandi being different, trying to produce the same results as the Putnam Wringer, but in my judgment they have failed. The Putnam Wringer is as near perfect as possible, and I can cheerfully recommend it to be the best in use. Respectfully yours, JNO. W. WHEELER,
Cleveland, O.

Many years' experience in the galvanizing business enable me to indorse the above statement in all particulars. JNO. C. LEFFERTS,
No. 100 Beekman Street.

New York, January, 1864.

No. 2, $5 50; No. 1, $6; No. A, $8. Manufactured and sold, wholesale and retail, by THE PUTNAM MAN. CO., No. 13 Platt Street, New York, and Cleveland, Ohio.

47-3m S. C. NORTHROP, Agent.

VOLUNTEERS AND CONSCRIPTS.—To soldiers or any others wishing to increase their income, there is no better way of doing so at this time than from the sale of our Watches. They are warranted as represented!

"Particularly valuable for officers in the army and travelers."—Frank Leslie's, Feb 21.

"Prettiest, best, and cheapest timepieces ever offered."—N. Y. Illustrated News, Jan. 10.

"Very pretty and durable Watches for the army."—N. Y. Army & Navy Journal [government organ,] Aug. 29.

"One of the oldest and most responsible houses in business."—Louisville, Ky., Journal, July 31.

**MAGIC TIME OBSERVERS.**

Being a hunting or open face or lady's or gentleman's watch combined, with patent self winding improvement, a most pleasing novelty. One of the prettiest, most convenient, and decidedly the best and cheapest timepiece for general and reliable use ever offered. It has within it, and connected with its own machinery, its own winding attachment, rendering a key entirely unnecessary. The cases of this watch are composed of two metals, the outer one being fine 16 caret gold. It has the improved ruby action lever movement, and is warranted an accurate timepiece. Price, superbly engraved, per case of half dozen, $204. Sample watches, in neat morocco boxes, $35.

**SILVER WATCHES.**

First class hunting timepieces for accuracy of movement, beauty of material, and, above all, cheapness in price, these watches must insure unversal approbation. An imitation so faultless that it can hardly be detected by the most experienced judges. The material being of two metals, the outer one first quality sterling silver, while the inner one is German silver, it cannot be recognized by cutting or heavy engraving, making it, not only in appearance, but in durability, the best resemblance of solid sterling silver in existence.

The sale of these watches in the army is a source of enormous profit, as they very readily do at $25 and upwards. Many hundred dollars can be made in a single pay day by any one of ordinary business tact.

AT WHOLESALE ONLY! In heavy hunting cases, beautifully engraved, white enamel dial, and fancy cut hands, in good running order, by the half dozen, $72. Sold only by the case of six.

Upon receipt of $2, as guarantee of good faith, we will send watches to any part of the loyal states by express, collecting balance of bill on delivery. This ensures buyers against fraud, giving them their watches before payment is required.

Soldiers in the disloyal states must remit cash in advance, as the express companies peremptorily refuse making collections in such dangerous localities. Remember, cash in advance from within the army lines in rebel states. We guarantee the safe delivery of all watches, whether they are sent by mail or express.

47-2t HUBBARD BROS.,
Sole Importers,
171 Broadway, cor. Cortland Street, N. Y.

JEWELRY AND PLATED WARE.

YOU CAN BUY AT COST

Solid Gold Breast Pins,
" " Rings,
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" " Lockets,
" " Crosses,
" " Bracelets,
" " Studs,
" " Sleeve Buttons,
" " Pencils,
" " Thimbles,
" " Watch Keys,
" " Spectacles,
" " Chains,
" " Necklaces, Etc., Etc.
Pearl & Onyx Sleeve Buttons & Studs,
Gold and Enamel Pins,
Gold and Enamel Locket Pins,
Coral Pins,
Revolving Miniature Pins,
Cameo Pins,
Diamond Rings,
Pearl "
Garnet "
Locket "
Gold and Silver Watches,
Silver and Steel Specs,
Gold Plated Chains,
Silver Plated Chains,
Silver Plated Castors and Cake Baskets,
Silver Plated Cups and Coffee Urns,
Silver Plated Napkin Rings, Etc.,
Silver Fruit Knives,
Pearl and Jet Crosses,
Spy Glasses, Etc., Etc.

I have the largest stock of Jewelry and Plated Ware west of Chicago, which I will sell at cost. Repairing done to order—work warranted.

**Cash Paid for Old Gold & Silver.**

J. F. MACOMBER.
Hastings, Feb. 9, 1863. 44-3t


**LOCAL AFFAIRS.**

**P. O. Notice.---Winter Arrangement.**

Mail going East closes at 10½ o'clock, A. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the stages from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.
WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

TO TOWN CLERKS.—We are prepared to print town orders and bonds at short notice, and in good style. Address CONSERVER, Hastings Minn.

SOCIABLE.—The Mite Society of the ladies connected with the Baptist Church of this city will be held at Mrs. HERZOG'S, on Friday evening next.

STANLEY, on Ramsey Street, has just what you want, and no mistake. Photograph albums, stationery, ink, school books, toys, etc., etc. Give him a call.

THORNE'S BANK has been removed to the building adjoining PRINGLE'S, on Second Street. The fire occasioned a suspension of business for one day only.

L. VANSLYKE, Esq., has removed his law office in with ROBINSON, next door to NEWMAN, up stairs, where he may be found by those wishing legal assistance.

ANDREWS is recognized as the best engraver in town, and inferior to none in the West. All work warranted. Call and examine specimens. Next to New England House.

NOTICE.—Those of you who only secured parts of suits at the late fire may complete the outfit at PRATT'S, next to the post-office. Garments made to order at short notice.

NEWMAN is the man that supplies the people with the latest styles of dress and dry goods at the lowest figures. If you don't believe it, call and see. Union Block, Second Street.

MARK WILLSON is engaged in marking his goods down to the lowest mark in the market. "Mark that, will ye," as the Hibernian remarked to his friend on Market Street.

CHANGE OF FIRM.—O. T. HAYES and Dr. J. E. FINCH have purchased the stock and fixtures of the City Drug Store, A. M. PETT retiring. We presume it will be conducted hereafter on sound principles.

A DESERVED APPOINTMENT.—N. E. SLACK, the accomodating merchant and general good fellow, has received the appointment of postmaster at Farmington, in this county, *vice* JAMES TUTTLE, removed. Success to him.

OUT OF THE DRAFT.—Through the exertions of Deputy Sheriff JONES and Sergt. Major PATCH the township of Douglas, Dakota county, has been enabled to fill demands upon her for men up to this time.

FOR DIXIE.—The 2d Minn. Regiment passed through town last week *en route* for Winona, their place of rendezvous, preparatory to leaving for Chatanooga, Tenn. They have received some additions to their numbers since entering the state.

COURT ADJOURNED.—An act passed the late legislature adjourning the term of court which was to have been held in Hastings on the fouth Tuesday of this month to the second Tuesday of June next. We do not know the reason of this postponement, but believe it was upon recommendation of the bar

MACOMBER left yesterday for the East to replenish his stock, but watches, jewelry, silver and plated ware can still be bought at cost prices at his store until the 15th. He has one of the best workman in the North-West in his employ, and all repairing will be promptly and carefully executed. At the old stand, on Second Street.

ANOTHER WARNING.—A steam fire engine is badly needed in this city How many more intimations of the fact do our citizens need before they begin to move in the matter? Shall we forever "lock the stable door after the steed is stolen?"

The *Pioneer* states that a store in the town of Mendota was burglariously entered Friday night and robbed of $150 in money, a number of otter skins, nine pair of pants, and forty cans of oysters. The burglar entered at the window, breaking out the glass without noise by the use of cotton batting stuck with pitch, against the glass, to deaden the noise of breaking—said to be an old trick of burglars and sure sign of an old hand at the business.

**MARRIED.**

On the 3d inst., by Rev. B. F. Cray, IRA SANGER to JULIETTE WAGNER, all of Dakota County.

## Great Conflagration.

### An Entire Block in Ruins.

About 2 o'clock Thursday morning the citizens of Hastings were disturbed from their peaceful slumbers by the ever harrowing cry of fire, and in a few minutes the streets were filled with men running to fro. When first discovered the flames were bursting out of the old Western Hotel building, Second Street, and in less than two hours the entire block,, with the exception of Marvin's brick drug store, was in ashes. Fortunately the width of the street and the direction of the wind saved those on the opposite side, although they were on fire several times.

It originated in the rooms of the photograph artist, probably from the chimney. In that building the occupants barely escaped with their lives, having no time to remove anything. The contents of the others were mostly taken out, though in a damaged condition.

Seven buildings were destroyed; estimated loss about 14,000, as follows:

Charles W. Smith, photographist, fixtures, wearing apparel, money, etc. 1,000. Insured for $600 in the Metropolitan.

Eugene Dean, two buildings and furniture, $3,000. Insured for $300 in the Liverpool and London.

Z. B. Flint, grocer, $1,400. Insured for $600 in Phœnix, of Brooklyn.

Wm. Spell, $50. No insurance.

H. H. Pringle, two buildings, $2,000. Insured for $1,000 in the Arctic.

J. L. Thorne, bank and fixtures, $1,500. Insured for $1,000 in the Liverpool and London,

P. Van Auken, one building, $1,000. No insurance.

W. Van Dyke, dry goods, damaged by removal. Insured for $3,000 in the Liverpool and London.

E. H. Carll, furniture, $1,000. Insured for $400 in Phœnix, of Brooklyn.

R. J. Marvin, one building, $400. No insurence.

Judson & Van Slyke, law books and papers damaged by removal. No insurance.

Three families were unceremoniously turned out of doors, losing part of their household stuff.

A portion of the 2d Regiment that were in town joined in with the citizens and did their utmost to protect property. Considering the lack of all appliances, it was more good fortune that the fire extended no further.

LIFE, SPICE, ORIGINALITY.—Subscribe for the La Crosse Weekly *Democrat*. Twelve shillings a year. The most independent and readable paper in the northwest, made up from the cream of the *Daily Democrat*. It is edited by M. M. ("Brick") POMEROY, and its columns every week have choice articles from paid contributors. The *Democrat* is a "hard hitter," and for the year 1864, will be unusually interesting. Sent to clubs of *ten* for twelve dollars. Address, M. M. POMEROY, Ed. *Democrat*, La Crosse, Wis. 46-3w

PRIVATE AMSDEN, who was apprehended and taken to St. Paul last week as a deserter, has satisfactorily proven his discharge and been released.

**SPECIAL NOTICES.**

**FOR SALE.**

A Finkle & Lyon Sewing Machine, at less than cost. Enquire at this office.

**TO CONSUMPTIVES.**

Consumptive sufferers will receive a valuable prescription for the cure of Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, and all Throat and Lung affections (free of charge), by sending their address to

Rev. E. A. WILSON, Williamsburg, Kings County, N. Y.
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[Communicated.]

**Pulmonary Consumption a Curable Disease.---A Card to Consumptives.**

The undersigned, having been restored to health in a few weeks by a very simple remedy, after having suffered several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease Consumption, is anxious to make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used (free of charge), with the directions for preparing and using the same, which they will find a *sure cure* for Consumption, Asthma, Bronchitis, Coughs, Colds, etc. The only object of the advertiser in sending prescription is to benefit the afflicted, and spread information which he conceives to be invaluable; and he hopes every sufferer will try his remedy, as it costs them nothing, and may prove a blessing Parties wishing the prescription will please address

Rev. EDWARD A. WILSON,
Williamsburg, Kings Co.,
35-1m New York

# THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the Bank of Hastings, Exchange Block, Second Street.


## WAYSIDE GLEANINGS, From Here, There, and Elsewhere.

**High Dresses.**

A writer in the *Sunday Times* discourseth thus upon the subject,and very sensibly:

"We are thankful for at least one of dame fashion's freaks; she has turned her back upon low-necked dresses, and rather insists that collar-bones and shoulder-blades shall be covered. It is certainly a great improvement—not only because the study of anatomy in private parlors is not desirable, and that American damsels are apt to run to bone as some tall flowers do to seed; and because spinsters of uncertain age, fearful of being outdone by their nieces, presented such a vast expanse of yellow neck and shoulders to the view at evening parties as were calculated to alarm nervous people very seriously; but because, since custom obliges us to wear garments, there can certainly be no reason why we should leave the most delicate portion of our frame without protection. Plump shoulders and arms are pretty. But so (let us whisper) are plump legs. The mother who should fail to provide her daughter with stockings would be considered a cruel wretch, yet a year ago she might neglect to cover her chest and arms with impunity. We trust this state of things is over. We hope that the wisdom which causes every prudent parent to protect the pretty shoulders of her little girls with comfortable woolen sacques or capes will be appreciated; that sense will conquer vanity, and that in a little while it will be as absurd to see a woman in a low-necked dress as it would to day to see a man in a low-necked coat."

**Soldiers After the War.**

Macaulay,in the portion of his history relating to the great revolution, touches on a subject curiously paralleled in our own times. Sperking of he fears that were then entertained as to the resu ts of disbanding Cromwell's army and throwing its unruly elements back into society, he says:

"The troops are now to be disbanded. Fifty thousand men accustomed to the profession of arms, were at once thrown upon the world, and experience seems to warrant the belief that this change would produce much misery or crime—that the discharged veterans would be seen begging in every street, or would be driven by hunger to pillage. But no such result followed. In a few months there remained not a trace indicating that the most formidable army in the world had just been absorbed into a mass of the community. The royalists themselves confessed that, in every department of honest industry, the discarded warrior prospered beyond other men; that none was charged with any theft or robbery; that none was heard to ask alms; and that, if a baker, a mason,or a wagoner, attracted notice by his diligence and sobriety he was in all probabilty one of Oliver's old soldiers."

**Be Your own Right Hand Man.**

People who have been bolstered up and levered all their lives, are seldom good for anything in a crisis. When misfortune comes, they look around for somebody to climb to or lean upon. If the prop is not there, they are as helpless as capsized turtles, or unhorsed men in armory. and cannot find their feet again without assistance. Such silken fellows no more resemble self-made man, who have fought their way to position, making difficulties their stepping stone, and deriving determination from defeat, than vines resemble oaks,or spluttering rush lights the stars of heaven. Efforts persisted in to achievments,strain a man to selfreliance and when he proved to the world that he can trust himself, the world will trust him. We say, therefore, that he is unwise to deprive young men of the advantages which results from their energetic action, by "boosting" them over obstacles which they ought to surmount alone.

LEAP YEAR.—The following extract from a quaint old law book printed in the year 1605, discloses the rights and duties of maids and bachelors during this eventful year:

"Albeit, it is now becoming a parte of the Common Lawe, in regarde to the secial relaytions of life, that so often as everie bessextile year dothe return, the ladyes have the sole privileges, during the time continueth, of making love unto the men, which they may do nither by words or looks, as unto them seemeth proper, and moreover, no man will be entitled to the benefits of clergy who doth refuse to accept the offers of the ladye, or who doth in any wise treat her proposals with slight or contumely."

**Grammar Personified.**

One day when I was quite young, my teacher told me that we, my school mates and myself were about to take a long journey, and that we might prepare ourselves for it. We were highly delighted at the thought of a journey and begged our teacher to inform us where we were going. But our ardor began somewhat to abate when he told us that the road over which he was about to guide us was a rough and thorny one, and that there would be many rugged, precipitous cliffs, over which we would have to climb, so that we might often become weary before we arrive at our journey's end. In fact he said that the road, nearly the whole of the way, was directly up the side of a mountain, and the name of this mountain was the "Science of Grammar." However we were quite anxious to get started,as young people usually are anxious to set about something new. At last our arrangments were all completed, and we were fairly started on our journey. The road seemed very pleasant indeed, and by no means difficult the first few days of our journey. We almost felt inclined to laugh at our teacher for arousing our fears when we thought there was nothing to fear. The first person whom we met worthy of note, wes Mrs. Noun, a very fine lady, whose appearance was quite prepossessing, and we like her very much. She entertained us very agreeably during our stay with her, and she also introduced us to her niece, Miss Pronoun, who was considerably younger than her aunt, but we thought her equally as pleasant and interesting. Mrs. Noun always had a name for every thing, and when any one was talking she was sure to keep putting in some name, except when her niece, Miss Pronoun would stop her by saying something herself. But they seldom quarreled for Mrs. Noun never said a word when her niece began to talk, and seemed to think that what she said was just right, anyway. Mrs. Noun was sometimes very *proper* when she talked, while at other times she was decidedly common. At first we could hardly account for her being so particular at times,and then again not caring how she expressed herself. There was another individual—a young lady whom they called Miss Adjective. She, we thought, must be very lonely, being related to no one in the world excepting Mrs. Noun; but she seemed to exercise considerable influence over her relative and restricted her very much. We were well pleased with the Noun family,and regretted leaving them.ibut the guide was implacable and obliged us to proceed on our journey. The next person we encountered was Mr. Verb. He was a person whose character was not easily read, and we heartily disliked him from the first. He was scarcely ever idle—but always active. He was ever changing his tactics. Sometims he was very irregular in his habits—though quite as often regular—and although usually active we found he was very passive at times, but this was when Miss Preposition was telling him how closely he was related to Mrs. Noun—for we had not been acquainted with him long before we found out that he always agreed with everything Mrs. Noun might say. If she chose to be singular, he was sure to act very singular too, and when she talked about any one, he was sure to talk about them in the same manner; hence, you see, they agreed very well. But he was so changable that it seemed almost impossible to become acquainted with him. He had six different modes which he would assume at will and it was sometimes very difficult to tell which one he was in.

Mr. Verb had a son whom he called Adverb. He was not quite as incomprehensible as his father, though his disposition was somewhat like that of his parent, and he was a little inclined to be strange. However we liked him quite well. Whenever he spoke it was usually to tell how his father had done something or when he was going to do it. Though he had a strange way of talking to him once in a while, and he occasionally addressed a word to the friendless little Adjective and it must be confessed that he was not entirely insensible to her many fascinating charms.

Miss Preposition lived hard by,whose great hobby it was to let other people know whom they were related to.

She was also a great match-maker, but some how she did not seem to care about getting married herself, but was ever busy making matches, and was never so happy as when thus employed from Mr. Verb to Mrs. Nown, or back from Mrs. Noun to Mr. Verb.

We formed an agreeable acquaintance with an old maid, Miss Interjection I believe they called her She was always fidgiting and ever ready with her, Oh! Alas! Dear me! How can you! etc.,and she declared that the least thing agitated her nerves exceedingly.

Then there was the Conjunction, a poor little orphan who had no relation living.

She was kept constantly employed carrying messages from one person to another and also to conduct travelers through the short route. We almost felt pity for her in her lonely orphanage but she ever seemed cheerful and happy. We did not form any more acquaintances during our journey, but were kept very busy studying the characters and the relation to each other of those whom we have mentioned. But I think I will not give you any farther description of our journey at this time, but will simply say that we fully endorsed the sentiments of our teacher, before we arrived at the top of the hill called the Science of Grammar.—*Durand Times.*

Advertising is the oil which wise tradesmen put into their lamps, and that foolish ones neglect to use.

**Hints on Money Matters.**

To the wife, and yet more to the wife's mother, of a man of business, one who speaks feelingly suggests this most valuable rule:

Beware of starving the funds or draining the capital which serves as the very tools of your husband's trade, and is the very lifeblood of his business. Many a lady, had she begun in apartments. might have soon luxuriated in her own drawing-room; but by expecting to begin with a complete establishment has crippled and crushed her husband to the ground.

Many a man of business is ruined by this error; and whose fault is it? Why, nine times out of ten, the fault of his wife's relatives. The wife herself, were the case fairly put to her, would many a time say, "I join my lot to his. Let us be in in a quiet way. The greater the struggle the more pleased shall I be to support and to comfort him. We will strive together, and I will tell my friends we only sink to rise. I am taking a course by which I shall with far more certainty be eventually established as elegantly as my friends would wish." Instead of which the family expectations are too apt to betray the husband into a scale of expenditure which drains the strength of his business, and cuts the very sinews of every enterprise. till a feeble trade, or perhaps actual insolvency, is the result.

Don't aspire to begin where older persons were contented to leave off. This is the reason so many ladies remain unmarried. Young men feel they are expected to begin with all the elegances which middle life only can realize. Time was when ladies would marry to help their husbands; they now only to weigh them down. Half of the mad speculations with married men arise from this. They dread to say, "We must reduce, business is bad, and we must live on less." So they speculate to make more; ruin comes, and no one suspects that the failing man has been goaded on by the grand expectations of his wife's relatives.

More than half the squabbles and misery of married life proceed from money matters. There is one constant tussle between "We want" on the part of the wife, and "I can't afford it" on behalf of the husband.

And do we lay the blame upon the ladies? Only thus far: they ought to arrange for a certain allowance for certain things, and keep within it; for let a man live to the age of Methuselah, and while his family expenditure is not limited, he will always find it far more than he could have calculated. And the only way to keep within your income is to pay ready money, remembering the shrewd observation of Archdeacon Paley: "I always require my wife and daughters to pay ready money. I know they only buy what they think they want; but ready money checks the imagination."

**Amusing Calculation of Chances.**

It is easy to show you, reader, that five hundred years ago the chances were ten thousand to one that you and I would never exist. If we look at the chances as only exhibited in only two or three generations, we shall be astonished and horrified at seeing how narrowly we have missed having no being. For instance, my grandfather was soldier in the revolutionary army for six years and repeatedly exposed to death. On one occasion, when his company engaged by platoons, he was the only survivor of two different attacks Now, if he had fallen in any of those attacks, he would not have married, my father would not have been born, and consequently I myself would have had no being. Again, my father paid his addresses to a certain young lady, and was engaged to her. Just before the time appointed for the marriage, a misunderstanding arose between the parties, all ties were dismissed, and my father married another woman—the same woman who has since done me the honor of being my mother. Now. if my father had married the first-mentioned lady. I never should have been born, as her children could not have possibly been my mother's children, and my mother might not have had any children at all. You see, therefore, that a mere lover's quarrel may change the whole line off a family for thousands of years. In fact, if Miss Smith is courted by both Jones and Jenkins, it is for Miss Smith to decide (as she certainly has the power of doing) whether she will be the ancestress of ten thousand Joneses or ten thousand Jenkinses; for on her choice depends the very existence or non-existence of these possible descendants. The whole subject is so full of fatalism that the only thing we can do, after once getting into existence, is to shout with the Arabs: Allah is Allah! What is to be will be." —*Elktons's Autobiography.*

TOBACCO.—When we consider the fact that this plant produces no nutritive substance—is an unsightly object while growing, having no beauty of flowers or foliage, no pleasant odors—but. on the contrary, has a disagreeable taste and smell, when eaten produces vomiting and giddiness. and when taken in large quantities causes death, we are surprised that it should play the part it does in the world—that it should become an important agricultural product—that it should be produced in such quantities as to require one-eighth of the civilized world to freight it—that its commercial importance should compare favorably with any other single article—that it should be made the pet of empires and the object of special legislation—that thousands should be busied in its production and manufacture—thtt vast amounts of capital should be employed in its purchase and sale—and that nearly half the male population of the civilized world should be engaged in chewing, smoking, and snuffing tobacco.

But it has happened with this poisonous. fated plant as with men who sometimes rise without merit to posts of honor and dignity.

## AGRICULTURAL.

Linseed meal is found to be a great promoter of egg-laying. Mixed with scalded meal or shorts, or with sour milk, it is readily eaten, and is a good substitute for animal food and insects. Hens like Indian corn better than any other grain, and it is their cheapest food. For confining hens, a covered room with a dry earth floor, is much better than an open yard, which the rain keeps in a filthy state much of the time. With sand to roll in, hens may be confined under cover the whole season. They will then be too busy picking grass, gravel, etc., to scratch and do mischief, being always in a hurry to return to the roost before twilight. Hens thus kept will more than twice pay for their keeping, if not too old to lay well. Two or three days imprisonment in a coop will break up Black Spanish hens from sitting, and they soon commence laying again if properly fed. It is only profitable for a villager to raise a few early chickens to renew his laying stock, as chickens are great and increasing feeders, eating when half grown, much more than old fat hens.

The value of forests to a country in retaining moisture is well illustrated by the late severe freshets of the Connecticut valley. The snow melts quicker in an open country, and is retained longer among the groves. Formerly the Connecticut River and its tributaries were clothed with forests; now they are largely denuded, and we have reason to expect greater freshets than formerly. The present barrenness of Greece and Palestine, as contrasted with their former fertility, is similarly accounted for. Dr. Unger, a celebrated naturalist of Vienna, claims that the climate lacks its origonal moisture. He says that the hordes of warriors that have followed each other for centuries on that soil have burned up the foresis, and every effort of nature to make restoration is subdued by a superabundance of goats. The population live on the droducts of the goats. and the goats crop every twig, thus bringing barrenness. If the forests should ever again grow. Dr. Unger thinks that fertility would be restored.—*Scientific American.*

CLEAR UP THE FRONT YARD.—A pleasant home should never have an unpleasant approach. In the general spring clearing up, do not forget to put the front yard "to rights." We do not advocate anything stiff, formal, or expensive. Straighten up and repair the fence. Remove everything from the yard that does not belong there. Have a good walk from the gate to the front door, not one that is sunken below the general level and always flooded in rains; but let it be a little raised so as to be possible in all weathers. Have some flower borders by all means, but if there is unfortunately neither time nor taste for these, have grass and some trees and shrubs, not set in stiff rows but dotted here and there. Then get a Virginia creeper (American Woodbine), or wax work vine from the woods and run it over the porch, if there is one, or if not, run it upon the door. A clambering rose may be easily obtained and will be very beautiful when in bloom. A small amount of work. and a little taste will make even an humble house look attractive and homelike.

HOW TO FEED TURKEYS.—A lady subscriber of Montgomery County, Penn., describes her method of feeding turkeys, in the *American Agriculturist*: A trough is made by nailing two boards together,with end pieces extending three inches above the trough; upon these nail a cover. Set this trough firmly on legs two feet and a half from the ground. The turkyes can reach it, and get their heads in. Chickens cannot; neither can they better their condition by flying up upon the trouth. She adds: "I keep corn, or mush always in it, and the turkeys eat whenever they are hungry, and will fatten much sooner than when the feed is thrown on the ground. I have fed over fifty the past season, and the young ones of which weighed. gobblers eighteen to twenty-three pounds, hens twelve to fifteen pounds, and they were not of the large breed either.

STATE FAIRS.—The Ohio state fair will be held on the 13th, 14th,15th, and 16th, of September next. The Indiana state fair will be held on the 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th of October, at Indianapolis; the Illinois state fair on the 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th and 17th of September, at Decatur; and the Iowa state fair on the 28th, 29th, 30th, and 31st of September, at Burlington.

BULLS.—Train young bulls to the yoke. In a single yoke, or harnessed with gear, much labor may be done by a bull. He will be quieter for it, a better stock-getter, and much less dangerous in every way. A bull's will should always be controlled, and his anger never excited. Insert a ring in the nose of unmanageable animals.

A writer in the Ohio *Farmer* recommends india rubber—an old shoe will furnish the material we suppose—for fastening handles in hoes, pitchforks, or any tools liable to get loose in the handle.

HORSE-SHOES.—At a meeting of the Philadelphia Agricultural Society, on Wednesday last, Mr. H. Ingersoll stated that during winter he corked only the toe of the shoes of his horses. Dr. McClue. V. S., added that Mr. I. was right—that the corking of the heel is a source of continued annoyance to the horse.

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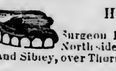
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CHEAPNESS,

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COME AND SEE US. WE WILL NOT be undersold.

ALL GOODS THAT DO NOT GIVE satisfaction can be returned and the money will be refunded.

Jan. 20, 1864. 42-tf

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**Wholesale & Retail**

# GROCER,

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Having removed to the large new store two doors west of his old stand, will keep constantly on hand a

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Which will be offered at

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**Lowest Market Prices for Cash.**

Merchants, Farmers, and other purchasers are invited to call and examine his stock and prices.

W. D. FRENCH.

Sept. 15, 1863. 23-tf

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E. A. BEACH, Photograph Artist.

Hastings, Jan. 9, 1864. 30-tf

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Auction and Commission Merchants.

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Darlings, I am weary pining;
Shadows fall across my way;
I can hardly see the lining
Of the cloud—the silver lining,
Turning darkness into day.

I am weary of the sighing.
Mourning, wailing through the air;
Breaking hearts in anguish crying
For the lost ones—for the dying;
Sobbing anguish of dispair.

I am weary of the fighting;
Brothers red with brothers' gore,
Only that the wrong we're righting—
Truth and Honor's battle fighting—
I would draw my sword no more.

I am pining dearest, pining,
For your kisses on my cheek;
For your dear arms round me twining;
For your soft eyes on me twining;
For your loved words—darling speak!

Tell me, in your earnest prattle,
Of the olive branch and dove;
Call me from the cannon's rattle;
Take my thoughts away from battle;
Fold me in thy earnest love.

Darling, I am weary pining;
Shadows fall across my way;
I can hardly see the lining
Of the cloud—the silver lining,
Turning darkness into day.

### Old Bachelors.

"Talk about old maids!" says a lady correspondent, "if there is anything that I perfectly abhor, it is an old bachelor. There's one of my acquaintances, for instance, (I am sorry to acknowledge the fact,) who has spent over fifty years of miserable bachelorhood, itinerating from place to place, until he has become so shriveled and dried that his bones rattle when he walks, like an empty barrel on a wheelbarrow. His face has become of the hue of saffron, and his hair a strange imitation of pepper and salt. It is not Mr. Flint's fault, the reason he has never struck a match. He has been vainly endeavoring to light one at the hymenial altar for the last forty years. He obtained board recently at a hotel, kept by a friend of mine, who, knowing his forlorn condition, resolved to act accordingly. The hour for retiring came, and Mr. F. was assigned to No. 74. Repairing thither, what was his surprise and delight to find, sweetly slumbering there a maid, fairer to his infatuated sight than aught he had ever seen before! Long he gazed, while the hours flew swiftly by. Could he but catch a glimpse of her face—but no, that was turned away from him. He locked the door; a thought had struck him—she could not escape from him now. The person did not live far off; he would carry her there and be married before morning revealed his age. I will not disclose further Suffice it to say, the landlady found in the morning he had run away with a girl made out of her nightgown, a roll of matting, a broomstick, and a pair of tongs."

At one time the rich merchants and professional men of Philadelphia proposed to form themselves into a social circle, from which all mechanics were to be excluded. The papers were drawn up for this purpose and presented to Dr. Franklin for his signature. On examining its contents he remarked that he could not consent to write his name, inasmuch as by excluding mechanics from their circle, they had excluded the Almighty, who was the greatest mechanic of the Universe.

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"Have you read my last speech?" said a prosy fellow to a friend. "I hope so," was the reply.

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On hand a large stock of

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Also a large stock of

**Kerosene Goods,**

Lamps, Chimneys, Oil, Etc., of the best quality, and at low prices. A prime lot of

CIGARS.

Bought cheap and will be sold the same.

Please give me a call before purchasing. Try my goods and prices, which is a better test than *blowing.*

October 27, 1863. 29-tf

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ATTENTION EVERY BODY!

**Buy Where You Can Buy Cheapest and get Good Articles.**

If you want good hoes and forks, go to Thomas' Hardware Store

If you want good scythes and snaths cheap, go to Thomas'.

**HARDWARE.**

If you want fine table and pocket cutlery, go to Thomas' Cheap Store.

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If you want any kind of tools cheap and good go to Thomas.

If you want hatchets or axes of the best quality, go to Thomas' Cheap Store.

If you want kerosene oil cheap and good go to Thomas.

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**HARDWARE.**

Try it and see if you cannot make money at it.

JOHN THOMAS.

Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

HARDWARE.

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I am also agent for, and have on hand, the celebrated

**STEWART COOKING STOVE,**

known to be the best cooking stove manufactured.

Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

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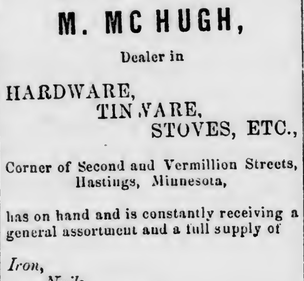

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Hastings, Nov. 20, 1862. 32-tf

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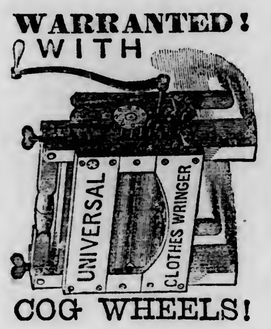


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have been introduced to the public for more than six years, and have acquired an

**Immense Popularity,**

far exceeding any Family Medicines of a similar nature in the market.

An appreciating public was not long in discovering they possessed remarkable

**Curative Properties,**

and hence their

**Rapid Sale**

and consequent profit to the Proprietor, thus enabling him to expend

**Many Thousands**

of dollars each year in advertising their merits, and publishing the

**Numerous Certificates**

which have been showered upon him from

**All parts of the Country.**

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**Blood Purifier and Pills**

is that they strike at the root of Disease, by eradicating every particle of impurity

**In the Blood,**

for the life and health of the body depends upon the purity of the blood.

If the blood is poisoned, the body drags out a miserable existence. These medicines

**Are Unequaled**

for curing

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| *Scrofula,* | *Liver Complaint,* |
| *Skin Diseases,* | *Female Complaints,* |
| *Salt Rheum,* | *Rheumatism,* |
| *Dyspepsia,* | *Syphilis,* |
| *Old Sores,* | *Fever and Ague,* |
| *Leucorrhœa,* | *Sick Headache,* |
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| *Fits, Scrofulous Consumption, etc.* | |

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ANOTHER was cured of Fever Sore which had existed fourteen years.

ANOTHER of Rheumatism of eight years.

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**The Blood Pills**

are the most active and thorough pills that have ever been introduced.

They act so directly upon the Liver, exciting that organ to such an extent as that the system does not relapse into its former condition, which is too apt to be the case with simply a purgative pill.

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which, in conjunction with the

**Blood Purifier,**

will cure all the aforementioned diseases; and, of themselves, will relieve and cure

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*Colic Pains, Cholera Morbus,*
*Indigestion, Pain in the Bowels,*
*Dizziness, etc.*

Try these medicines, and you will never regret it.

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and you should try them before going for a physician.

Get a Pamphlet or Almanac of my local agent, and read the certificates, and if you have ever doubted you will

**Doubt no more.**

As a proof that the Blood Purifier and Pills are purely vegetable, I have the certificates of three eminent chemists, Professors Chilton of New York, and Locke of Cincinnati.

Read Dr. Roback's Special Notices and Certificates published in a conspicuous part of this Paper from time to time.

Price of the Scandinavian Vegetable Blood Purifier, $1 per bottle, or $5 per half dozen. Of the Scandinavian Vegetable Blood Pills, 25 cents per box, or 5 boxes for $1.

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# THE CONSERVER.

### Rebel Choice For President.

In speaking of the next Presidency we have looked at it, for the most part, as it would affect the loyal United States. But we must not forget that there is a disloyal portion, who are watching the matter with an intense concern. The realm of Dixie care more about our next President than we do ourselves; for they think it, rightly or wrongly, to be of more consequence to them than to us. And while we do not select a President to please them, it is safe and more than safe, to take their likes and dislikes into account. If we can find out who is their special choice it is safe to conclude that he is the man to shun. If we know who they fear most, we had better fix upon him, unless some special reasons exist at home for a contrary preference.

At a conference of some officers of each army near Knoxville, under a flag of truce, a few days ago, the rebels were eager to know who stood a good chance for the next presidency. When they were told Mr. Lincoln, they were crest fallen, and asked anxiously if McClellan had no chance. Here are the indications all in a nut-shell. The rebel candidate for our President is G. B. McClellan. Their dread is Abraham Lincoln! What bad men hate good men ought to love. When you know what the Prince of Darkness prefers, you had better let it alone. We do not want traitors to choose us a president, nor do we want a man of their choosing.

Probably no act of ours—not even a battle with a splendid victory, would so tell upon the rebel cause as the certainty of Mr. Lincoln's election With him they know what to depend on. It is their certain defeat and overthrow. But with some new man—some man whose spinal column is only a mixture of tow and saw-dust, they would have hope. With McClellan buried in foolscap, Copperheadism would go riot, and loyalty be hid in garrets and cellars. We had better take the hint and thwart them.—*Chicago Tribune.*

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One of the Brooklyn papers tells a laughable story of a puzzled bridegroom. The bride stole away early in the evening and sent her twin sister, clad in the wedding finery, to take her place beside her loving husband. The cheat remained undiscovered until the false bride could personate the true one no longer, when she boldly told the astonished Benedict that she was not his wife, and refused to retire with him. In vain he protested, and in vain did the assembled company bare witness to the marriage ceremony, and argued to overcome her girlish scruples—she stoutly maintained before the astonished guests and astounded bridegroom that she had never wedded any man. At last her mother was brought forward to talk to the refractory young lady, but after putting on her spectacles and going through with a deliberate inspection, she announced the important fact, "Why, Mr. Brown, you did not marry that girl; you married Fanny and this is Jane dressed up in Fanny's clothes."

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SELMA, ALABAMA.—This place is situated on the Alabama River, about forty miles due west of Montgomery, and 130 miles north of Mobile (though considerably more by the course of the river.) It is a place of considerable importance to the rebels, on account of the extensive foundries and other manufactories which have been established there, and which have trebled its population since the commencement of the war. Its manufactures are said to greatly exceed, in number and magnitude, any supposition that has been formed of them by the people at the north. The city is admirably situated for a manufacturing place, beds of superior iron ore and of coal being found in its vicinity.

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MASSACRE OF RATS.—An extraordinary *battue* has just taken place in the sewers of Paris. Taking advantage of the frost, which drives this particular game into covert, the owner invited a Christmas party to partake of the sort of rat killing. All the great sewers were driven in one direction till millions of rats, which fought among themselves like tigers as they were hunted along, were collected in the large drain by the bridge of Asnieres. Forty dogs were let down into the sewers, and after a fight which lasted forty-five hours, and in which four dogs were killed and some blinded, no less than 110,000 rats were dispatched.

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HON. IGNATIUS DONNELLY.—From all sides we hear highly favorable reports of the member from this district, Hon. Ignatius Donnelly, who though saying but little, is doing a great deal of hard work for the benefit of his state and its soldiers. He seems perfectly untiring, even though laboring under the inconvenience of being a new member. The fact of the First Regiment having been furloughed without re-enlisting, was owing in a great measure to his persevering efforts His constituency will not be backward in giving him credit for this attention to their interests.—*St. Cloud Dem.*

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A DISCOVERY.—The St. Paul *Press* says that the great want of Minnesota is population. In the course of time this will be remedied. The advice of the *Press* to the legislature may be good, but we think we can suggest an improvement. Let the legislature adjourn and its married members go home.—*Mantorville Express.*

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Some astronomers who had been making observations, thought they perceived several spots on the sun. Volture happened shortly after to be in company, when he was asked if there was any news. "None," said he; "but I hear very bad reports of the sun.

# EDUCATIONAL.

BY PROF. T. F. THICKSTUN.

**Reading:—A Composition by one of the Students of the University.**

The object of reading should be improvement, the enlarging and strengthening of the intellect. Too many, however, read with a far different purpose in view, or in fact with none in view, simply to gratify a mental appetite they have created by the perusal of works of an exciting and ficticious character, or in other words they read blood and thunder novels. Reading answers the same purpose to the mind that food does to the body, it is its nourishment. Therefore in a great measure the mind corresponds to the character of the matter we read, the same as the body does to the food we use. A person that wishes a strong active body does not limit himself to a diet composed of highly seasoned dainties and delicacies. On the contrary he uses plain, substantial food, and the consequence is, if it is properly digested and assimulated, that real and substantial nourishment is given to the body.

But there are conditions on which digestion and assimulation to take place, there must be physical exercise. Just so with the mind. It must exercise itself on the subject presented, must reflect and observe, for only by so doing will mental digestion take place.

Great readers, however, are seldom great men or women. It is not so much the extent and amount of what we read that benefits us, but what we assimulate and make our own.

It is far easier to read than to think-reflect or observe, and so a great many not having learned to think, cram themselves with the words and ideas of others, and imagine that they are studying; but it is far from real study. It would be just as sensible to eat all the time as to read all the time, and imagine that we are going to be profited thereby.

The greatest men are not mere readers, but those who reflect, observe, and fairly think out the ideas they have gained.

DUDLEY.

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The legislature has adjourned. It passed a bill in reference to the normal school at Winona. It was introduced by the delegation from that county, and was amended but slightly in its passage, so that the friends of normal schools have obtained nearly all they could at the present time expect The appropriation is sufficient to make a good begining, and we doubt not those having the matter in charge will exert every energy to secure the largest possible results from the means put into their hands.

The legislature also passed a law authorizing such counties as chose to do so, to elect a county superintendent of schools. Our readers are familiar with the provisions of this law, we having given the main features of it a week or two since.

Sundry other amendments were made to the general school law, which we shall notice in due time Besides these general amendatory acts, a whole bevy of special and local laws were enacted. One could hardly read over the list of laws made by the late legistature without having his attention drawn to the great number of local school measures that have been under the consideration of the scattered Solons of the state. There seems to have been a furor in this direction all over the state What this signifies we shall attempt to set forth at some future time.

The friends of schools will be glad of what has been done, but they will be disappointed that our law-makers adjourned, and did no more. They looked for nothing less than a complete school system, fully armed and equipped for efficient work. In this they have been sadly disappointed. A little tinkering is all the progress that can be reported.

Teachers, buckle on your armor for another campaign. Fall into the rank, and avoid the draft, for Minnesota must have a school system that will not be a disgrace on account of its gross imperfections.

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BOOKS.—Books are the true levelers. They give to all, who will faithfully use them, the society, the spiritual presence of the best and greatest of our race. No matter how poor I am, no matter though the prosperous of my own time will not enter my obscure dwelling. If the Sacred Writers will enter and take up their abode under my roof, if Milton will cross my threshold to sing to me of Paradise, and Shakspeare to open to me the worlds of imagination and the workings of the human heart, and Franklin to enrich me with his practical wisdom, I shall not pine for want of intellectual companionship, and I may become a cultivated man though excluded from what is called the best society in the place where I live.—*W. E Channing.*

## MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

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|---|---|---|
| New York, Philadelphia, Boston, | par. | ¼ prem |
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| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gold, | 50 | 55 |
| Silver (large), | 40 | 55 |
| U. S. Demand Notes, | 45 | 55 |
| Canada, | 45 | 55 |

## RETAIL PRICES CURRENT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY DRAPER & BALLARD.

HASTINGS, March 6, 1864

| | |
|---|---|
| FLOUR, per sack, | $3 00 |
| WHEAT, per bushel, | 88@90 |
| CORN, do | 85@1 00 |
| OATS, do | 70@75 |
| POTATOES, do | 60@75 |
| BEANS, do | 2 00 |
| ONIONS, do | 2 50 |
| CRANBERRIES, | 4 00 |
| HAY, per ton, | 7 00@900 |
| WOOD, per cord, | 2 75@4 00 |
| SALT, per bbl | 4 00 |
| EGGS, per doz | 15@18 |
| BUTTER, per lb, | 1@20 |
| CHEESE, per lb | 12@15 |
| PORK, per cwt. | 6½@7½ |
| BEEF, per cwt. | 4@5 |
| HAMS, per cwt, | 8@9 |
| SHOULDERS, per cwt, | 5@6 |
| DRIED APPLES, | 11@12½ |
| DRIED PEACHES, | 15@25 |
| SUGARS, per lb | 12½@20 |
| MOLASSES, per gal. | 70@1 00 |
| COFFEE, Java, | 45 |
| do Rio, | 35@40 |

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NOTICE.—THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the undersigned under the name, style, and title of Bateman & Karker is this day dissolved by mutual consent. The debts and business of said firm to be settled by said Bateman.

JOHN BATEMAN.
S. B. KARKER.

Hastings, Feb. 8, 1864. 45–1m*

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NOTICE TO HOLDERS OF DAKOTA County Interest Orders that I will redeem, on presentation at my office at Hastings, the following numbered orders, to-wit:

| No. | Amt. | No. | Amt. | No. | Amt. | No. | Amt. |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 4103 | $3 50 | 4335 | $2 10 | 4603 | $1 40 | 4259 | $2 10 |
| 4491 | 3 50 | 4336 | 2 10 | 4604 | 1 40 | 4284 | 2 10 |
| 4105 | 3 50 | 4337 | 2 10 | 4605 | 1 40 | 4263 | 2 10 |
| 4511 | 3 50 | 4338 | 2 10 | 4606 | 1 40 | 4265 | 2 10 |
| 4512 | 3 50 | 4330 | 2 10 | 4607 | 1 40 | 4267 | 2 10 |
| 4513 | 3 50 | 4340 | 2 10 | 4608 | 1 40 | 4268 | 2 10 |
| 4514 | 3 50 | 4341 | 2 10 | 4609 | 1 40 | 4269 | 2 10 |
| 4517 | 3 50 | 4342 | 2 10 | 4612 | 1 40 | 4270 | 2 10 |
| 4518 | 3 50 | 4343 | 2 10 | 4615 | 1 40 | 4271 | 2 10 |
| 4519 | 3 50 | 4344 | 2 10 | 4625 | 1 40 | 4272 | 2 10 |
| 4520 | 3 50 | 4345 | 2 10 | 4634 | 1 40 | 4275 | 2 10 |
| 4521 | 3 50 | 4346 | 2 10 | 4638 | 1 40 | 4276 | 2 10 |
| 4505 | 3 50 | 4347 | 2 10 | 4671 | 1 40 | 4278 | 2 10 |
| 4522 | 3 50 | 4348 | 2 10 | 4684 | 1 40 | 5042 | 2 08 |
| 4523 | 3 50 | 5042 | 2 08 | 4693 | 1 4 | 5108 | 11 14 |
| 4524 | 3 50 | 5706 | 6 95 | 4696 | 1 40 | 5204 | 8 35 |
| 4525 | 3 50 | 5229 | 2 78 | 4350 | 2 10 | 5235 | 9 71 |
| 4526 | 3 50 | 5228 | 13 90 | 4357 | 2 10 | 5242 | 5 07 |
| 4527 | 3 50 | 5230 | 1 38 | 4358 | 2 10 | 5250 | 11 14 |
| 4528 | 3 50 | 5231 | 6 95 | 4359 | 2 10 | 4279 | 2 10 |
| 4529 | 3 50 | 4349 | 2 10 | 4382 | 2 10 | 4280 | 2 10 |
| 4530 | 3 50 | 4350 | 2 10 | 4380 | 2 10 | 4281 | 2 10 |
| 4531 | 3 50 | 4351 | 2 10 | 4387 | 2 10 | 4282 | 2 10 |
| 4532 | 3 50 | 4352 | 2 10 | 4388 | 2 10 | 4283 | 2 10 |
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| 4542 | 3 50 | 4367 | 2 10 | 4400 | 2 10 | 4293 | 2 10 |
| 4543 | 3 50 | 4368 | 2 10 | 5125 | 13 90 | 4294 | 2 10 |
| 4544 | 7 00 | 4369 | 2 10 | 5176 | 13 90 | 4298 | 2 10 |
| 4545 | 7 00 | 4370 | 2 10 | 6177 | 6 95 | 4299 | 2 10 |
| 5213 | 6 95 | 4371 | 2 10 | 5233 | 6 95 | 4320 | 2 10 |
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| 5227 | 12 52 | 4373 | 2 10 | 5235 | 9 71 | 4322 | 2 10 |
| 5247 | 12 52 | 4374 | 2 10 | 4104 | 2 10 | 4324 | 2 10 |
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| 4545 | 3 50 | 4376 | 2 10 | 4406 | 2 10 | 4326 | 2 10 |
| 4546 | 3 50 | 4377 | 2 10 | 4407 | 2 10 | 1798 | 4 20 |
| 4547 | 3 50 | 4378 | 2 10 | 4408 | 2 10 | 4842 | 4 20 |
| 4548 | 3 50 | 4379 | 2 10 | 4409 | 2 10 | 4941 | 2 80 |
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| 4550 | 3 50 | 4381 | 2 10 | 4622 | 1 40 | 4927 | 7 00 |
| 4551 | 3 50 | 4382 | 2 10 | 4236 | 2 10 | 4916 | 1 40 |
| 4552 | 3 50 | 4383 | 2 10 | 4237 | 2 10 | 4875 | 4 20 |
| 4564 | 3 50 | 4384 | 2 10 | 4238 | 2 10 | 4729 | 7 00 |
| 4567 | 3 50 | 4393 | 2 10 | 4239 | 2 10 | 4730 | 7 00 |
| 4568 | 3 50 | 4394 | 2 10 | 4242 | 2 10 | 4764 | 7 00 |
| 4569 | 3 50 | 4600 | 1 40 | 4243 | 2 10 | 4972 | 7 00 |
| 4566 | 3 50 | 4601 | 1 40 | 4244 | 2 10 | 5213 | 6 25 |
| 4566 | 3 50 | 5088 | 2 30 | 4245 | 2 10 | 5220 | 2 78 |
| 4567 | 3 50 | 5110 | 2 09 | 1250 | 2 10 | 5222 | 6 95 |
| 4330 | 2 10 | 5223 | 6 95 | 4251 | 2 10 | 5244 | 8 35 |
| 4331 | 2 10 | 5230 | 2 78 | 4254 | 2 10 | 5243 | 6 96 |
| 4332 | 2 10 | 5231 | 4 14 | 4255 | 2 10 | 5257 | 12 52 |
| 4333 | 2 10 | 5254 | 8 83 | 4256 | 2 10 | | |
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Dated at Hastings Feb. 8th 1864.
45-3w MICHAEL COMER, Co. Treasurer.

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Hastings, Oct. 12, 1863.

# MISCELLANEOUS.

BANK OF THOMPSON BROS.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 10, 1863.

## U.S. 5-20'S.

**The secretary of the treasury has not yet given notice of any intention to withdraw this popular loan from sale at par, and, until ten day's notice is given, the undersigned, as general subscription agent, will continue to supply the public.**

The whole amount of the loan authorized is five hundred millions of dollars. Nearly four hundred millions have been already subscribed for and paid into the treasury, mostly within the last seven months. The large demand from abroad, and the rapidly increasing home demand for use as the basis for circulation by national banking associations now organizing in all parts of the country, will, in a very short period, absorb the balance. Sales have lately ranged from ten to fifteen millions weekly, frequently exceeding three millions daily, and as it is well known that the secretary of the treasury has ample and unfailing resources in the duties on imports and internal revenues, and in the issue of the interest bearing legal tender treasury notes, it is almost a certainty that he will not find it necessary, for a long time to come, to seek a market for any other long or permanent loan, the interest and principal of which are payable in GOLD.

Prudence and self interest must force the minds of those contemplating the formation of national banking associations, as well as the minds of all who have idle money **on their hands**, to the prompt conclusion **that they should** lose no time in subscribing **to this most** popular loan. It will soon be beyond their reach, and advance to a handsome premium, as was the result with the "seven-thirty" loan, when it was all sold and could no longer be subscribed for at par.

It is a six per cent loan, the interest and principal payable in coin, thus yielding over nine per cent per annum at the present rate of premium on coin.

The government requires all duties on imports to be paid in coin; these duties have for a long time past amounted to over a quarter of a million of dollars daily, a sum nearly three times greater than that required in the payment of the interest on all the 5 20's and other permanent loans. So that it is hoped that the surplus coin in the treasury, at no distant day, will enable the United States to resume specie payments upon all liabilities.

The loan is called 5-20 from the fact that whilst the bonds may run for 20 years yet, the government has a right to pay them off in gold at par, at any time after 5 years. The interest is paid half-yearly, viz.: on the first days of November and May.

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These 5-20's cannot be taxed by states, cities, towns, or counties, and the government tax on them is only one and a half per cent on the amount of income, when the income of the holder exceeds six hundred dollars per annum; all other investments, such as income from mortgages, railroad stock and bonds, etc., must pay from three to five per cent on the income.

Banks and Bankers throughout the country will continue to dispose of the bonds; and all orders by mail or otherwise promptly attended to.

The inconvenience of a few delay in the delivery of the bonds is unavoidable, the demand being so great; but as interest commences from the first day of subscription, no loss is occasioned, and exertion is being made to diminish the delay.

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# LEGAL NOTICES.

MORTGAGE SALE.—NAME OF MORTgagors.—Dennis W. C. Dunwell and Mary Dunwell, his wife, of Dakota County, territory, now state, of Minnesota.

*Name of Mortgagee.*—Ira Bidwell, of Adrian, Michigan, now of St. Paul, Minnesota.

*Date of Mortgage.*—2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

Mortgage recorded 4th day of November A. D. 1857, at nine o'clock A. M., in the office of Register of Deeds of Dakota County, Minnesota, in book E of mortgages on pages 490 and 491.

*Description of Mortgaged Premises.*—All those tracts or parcels of land lying and being in Dakota County, territory, now state, of Minnesota, described as follows: Lots no. two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block 8, and lots number two 2, three 3, and four 4 in block number two 2, and lot number nine 9 in block number nine 9. and lots number four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block number twelve 12, and the undivided one half of block number six 6, all being in town of Brooklyn; it should have been all being in Brooklyn and Dunnwell and Spencer's addition to town of Brooklyn—according to the survey and plat thereof on record and file in the office of register of deeds for the county of Dakota, also a piece of land described as follows to wit, lying and being in section seven 7, in township number twenty eight 28, range number twenty two 22 beginning at a stake at the intersection of the north line of Bahme's Lane with the center line of the road as surveyed by James Thompson running from said point to Credit River, thence running along said road north thirty one degrees and thirty minutes, east two 2 chains and thirty eight 38 links to a stake. Thence north seventy four degrees, west five 5 chains and four 4 links to Bahme's east line, thence along said Bahme's east line south two 2 chains and thirty eight 38 links to the before mentioned land, thence along the north line of said lane, south seventy four 74 degrees, east three 3 chains and sixty nine links to the place of beginning, containing one acre more or less. Also six 6 fractions of land being lots number one 1, two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block number nineteen 19, bounded on Manomin Avenue and Fourth Street in Oliver's addition to West St. Paul, according to the recorded plat on record in the office of Register of Deeds in and for the said county of Dakota and territory, now state, of Minnesota.

Said mortgage contains a power of sale and was given to secure the payment of a certain promissory note for two thousand three hundred and sixty dollars, bearing even date with said mortgage, and payable six months after date. There is claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of $3,304.

Default having been made in the condition of said mortgage and no suit or proceeding at law having been instituted to recover said mortgage or debt any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided and by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, the mortgaged premises above described will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the office of the register of deeds in Hastings, in said Dakota County, on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1864, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount then due on said mortgage,

Dated St. Paul, Jan. 20, 1864.
43–7t IRA BIDWELL. Mortgagee.
R. F. Crowell, Atty. for Mortgagee.

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PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the sitting of the district court of the first judicial district in and for the county of Dakota on Tuesday, the 22d day of March, 1864, in the city of Hastings, at 10 o'clock A. M., the undersigned proprietors of the north half of southeast quarter and south half of north-east quarter of section 23, township 114, range 19, in said Dakota County, which was surveyed and laid out in the year 1856 as West Empire City, will apply for the entire vacation of the survey of the same.

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Hastings, Feb. 9, 1864. 44–1m*

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Hastings, Nov. 20, 1862. 32–tf

# LEGAL NOTICES.

MORTGAGE SALE.—WHEREAS DEfault has been made in the conditions of two certain mortgages made and executed by John B. Spencer and Nancy Spencer his wife, of St. Paul, Ramsey County, territory (now state) of Minnesota, and D. W. C. Dunnwell and Mary Dunnwell his wife, of West St. Paul, Dakota County, territory (now state) of Minnesota, mortgagors, to Ira Bidwell, of said St. Paul, Minn., mortgagee, bearing date the 17th day of April, A. D. 1858, whereby the said mortgagors did grant, sell, and convey unto the said mortgagee, his heirs and assigns, the following described tracts or parcels of land, lying and being in the county of Dakota aforesaid, to-wit:

All that part of the lots numbered four (4), five (5), and eight (8), and of the north-east quarter of the south west quarter, of section five (5), of township number twenty-eight (28), of range number twenty-two (22), which is now owned by the said parties of the first part or any of them, except such portion thereof as is included within the town plat or within the addition of Dunnwell and Spencer, of the town of Brooklyn, in said Dakota County, the said lands hereby intended to be conveyed, containing about ninety (90) acres, about thirty (30) thereof lying and being contained in said fractional lot four (4), and about thirty (30) thereof in said fractional lot five (5), and about twenty (20) thereof in said fractional lot eight (8), and the remainder thereof in said north-east quarter of the south-east quarter.

Also block number three [3], block twenty-five [25], block twenty-six [26], block twenty-seven [27], block twenty-eight [28], lots number one [1], two [2], three [3], four [4], five [5], six [6], of block number twenty-nine [29], lots number one [1], two [2], three [3], four [4], in block number thirty [30], lots number one [1], two [2], five [5], six [6], seven [7], eight [8], and nine [9], in block number sixteen [16], lots number seven [7], eight [8], nine [9], ten [10] of block number fifteen [15], lots number two [2], three [3], four [4], five [5], and six (6) of block number eight (8), lots five (5), six (6), nine (9), and ten (10) of block number five (5), lots number seven (7) and eight (8) of block number twenty-four 24, and lots number one 1, two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6, and fourteen 14, and fifteen 15, of block number twenty-one 21, all of Dunnwell & Spencer's addition to the town of Brooklyn, according to a plat thereof on record in the office of the register of deeds of said Dakota county.

Both of said mortgages were given to secure the payment of a certain promissory note for nine thousand and eighty-eight dollars and thirty-six cents, bearing even date with said mortgages, with interest thereon at the rate of three per cent per month, and payable on or before one year after date.

Each of said mortgages contains a power of sale, and was duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Dakota County aforesaid, on the 26th day of April, 1858, at nine o'clock A. M., in block F of mortgages, pages 199 and 200 and 202, 203, and 204.

And whereas there is claimed to be due upon said mortgages at the date of this notice the sum of $15,382. And no suits or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover said debt secured by said mortgages or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the mortgaged premises above described will be sold at public auction, to the highest bider, at the front door of the office of Register of Deeds, in Hastings in said Dakota County, on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1864 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount then due on said mortgages.

Dated, St. Paul, Jan. 20th, 1864,
IRA BIDWELL, Mortgagee.
R. F, Crowell, atty for mortgagee. 43–7t

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MORTGAGE SALE.—DEFAULT HAVing been made in the conditions of the mortgage executed by Eli B. Ames and Delia Ann Ames, his wife, the mortgagors, to Levi C. Boyington, the mortgagee, dated the thirteenth day of July, A. D. 1859, recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Dakota County, in the state of Minnesota, on the 29th day of July, 1859, at 1 o'clock P. M., in book H of mortgages, pages 455 and 456, given to secure the payment of the sum of thirteen hundred and twenty-nine dollars and ninety-nine cents and interest according to the conditions of three certain promissory notes, given by Edward Murphy to said Levi C. Boyington, and each bearing date July 13th, 1859, and one payable in twelve months, one in eighteen months, and one in two years from date, with interest at the rate of one per cent per month from date till paid, of and upon the following real estate, situated in said Dakota County, or mortgaged premises, to-wit: the south-east quarter of the south-west quarter of section number five. township number one hundred and fourteen, north range number seventeen west, containing forty acres of land.

Which said mortgage with the debt due thereon has been, by assignment in writing dated the 17th day of April, A.D.1860, duly assigned by

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## THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 1864.

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### The New Hampshire Election.

The Old Granite State has set the ball in motion, with an impetus that will overcame all resistance on the part of the copperheads. Although the contest was very close in that state last year, and although the supreme court of New Hampshire has disfranchised her soldiers and thus diminished the Union majority by thousands, the verdict of the people has been clear, emphatic, and decided. They have pronounced in favor of a vigorous prosecution of the war on war principles, in favor of sustaining the administration, and in favor of the policy of emancipation with which the administration is identified. The battle opens under good auspices. Let all true men everywhere take courage and deserve greater victories over copperheadism, by steady, well-directed, and systematic efforts. Gilmore's majority will be about 5,600. Four of the five councillors and nine of the twelve senators are union republicans. The union republican majority in the House is about 75.

### Commissioners to Receive Soldiers' Vote.

The governor has appointed the following gentlemen as commissioners to receive the votes of soldiers:

*For the Eastern District*—Chas A. Warner, of Carver County, and J. J. Porter, of Blue Earth County.

*Cumberland District*—Ansel Smith, of Chisago County, and Truman Parker, of Goodhue County.

*Mississippi District*—Joel B. Bassett, of Hennepin County, and A. C. Dunn, of Faribault County.

*Northern District Minnesota*—L. M. Bunn, of Scott County, and G. K. Gilbert, of McLeod County.

*Southern District Minnesota*—J. L. Gibbs, of Freeborn County, and Chas. B. Sperry, of Houston County.

The Syracuse *Journal* says: "We have good authority for stating that Hon. Wm. S. King, Postmaster of the House of Representatives has become the purchaser of the Rochester *Democrat and American* newspaper and job printing establishment. The price to be paid is fifty thousand dollars, and Mr. King will take possession April 1st. We also understand that Augustus Maverick, esq., formerly of the N. Y. *Times* and now of the *Evening Post*, is to be editor."

The *Independent* is greatly exorcised over the action of the late state convention, and is loud and earnest in its appeals for another. We would remind our venerable cotemporary that after publishing the various calls for a month, without a word of dissent, it is rather late in the day to bolt. Even railroad-bond resolutions wouldn't justify it.

The Hastings edition of the St. Paul *Press* takes exceptions to the opinion advanced by one of our correspondents —Quercus—from the 2d cavalry. As we have before remarked, we do not hold ourselves responsible for sentiments advanced by our correspondents, neither shall we place restrictions upon their free utterance.

The *Prairie Farmer* recommends giving a half cupfull of liquor in a quart of milk to sows with young litters in order to prevent the destroying of their progeny. It says it is a sure cure, and will make them as loving and good natured as need be. Such remedies sometimes have a very different effect upon men.

The *Northwestern Church*, Chicago, is one of the best church journals we are acquainted with. After April 1st it will be issued as a weekly, every Thursday morning, at $3 per annum. It should have a place in every family in the parish.

The report of the killing of Col. Dahlgren, during Kilpatrick's raid, is confirmed by dispatches from Richmond. He was a son of Admiral Dahlgren.

The *Lady's Friend*, the March number of which lies before us, is constantly improving, and each month shows an increase in ability. It bids fair to take the lead of the fashion monthlies.

Another call will soon be issued for from two to three hundred thousand men.

### Mr. Donnelly's Speech.

We have received a long speech recently made in the House by Mr. Donnelly, of this district. Not having room for it in full, we quote the following synopsis of his budget of interesting facts, from the New York *Post:*

In the year 1790 we had but 3,929,000 people; in 1860 we possessed a population of 31,445,000; the difference, 27,516,000, being the sum of our growth in seventy years.

How far is this growth due to the natural increase of the population in the country in 1790? To ascertain this, it will be necessary to institute some comparison with the rates of growth of other nations.

England and Wales possessed, in 1570, a population of nearly 3,000,000; in 1861, a population of 20,227,746. In other words, the growth of England and Wales was thirty per cent less in three hundred years than that of the United States in seventy years! But, as it may be argued that the rate of growth of all nations has increased in modern times, we will confine our comparison within a shorter period.

In 1801 the population of England and Wales was 9,156,171; in 1861 it was 20,227,742, being an increase of 121 per cent in sixty years. It is true that England had, during that time, sent out a considerable emigration to different parts of the would, which, from the the best data attainable, I estimate at 852,011, between 1825 and 1850; but on the other hand the census of 1851 shows that England in that year contained 519,959 natives of Ireland, and 130,087 natives of Scotland, making a total of 650,046. The difference therefore between the emigration and the immigration is not great enough to materially affect the ratio of growth.

If we apply that ratio to our own country we find that we should to-day possess a population of 11,728,120; about one-third our present population.

Like all western men Mr. Donnelly closed with an allusion to his own state —Minnesota. The ratio of increase of the whole nation, from 1850 to 1860, was but 35¼ per cent, he said. That of the West, as a whole, was over 68 per cent, and of the state of Minnesota 2,761 per cent.

Alluding to this effort the Washington *Chronicle*, of the 1st inst., says:

The great subject of emigration was discussed in the House on Saturday last, by the Hon Ignatius Donnelly, the young representative from Minnesota. He exhibited marked ability in the presentation of his facts and figures, and rare discretion and common sense in his comments. Emigration is one of those unavoidable and essential questions which every American statesman should and must study.

Never was it so important as at the present moment. Inestimable as an agency in the development of our national resources in time of peace, its value has been a thousand times increased by war, which takes thousands from every productive pursuit. The president, in his last annual message, directed especial attention to the whole subject, and Mr. Donnelly, acting upon the president's recommendation, has introduced a bill which contains three features, as follows:

1. To faithfully execute the laws heretofore enacted by congress for the protection of immigrants crossing the ocean.

2. To facilitate their movement to their destination after landing, by furnishing them necessary in ormation and protecting them from fraud and imposition.

3. To superintend the disbursement of any sum appropriated by congress or by any state legislature to encourage immigration.

This is an opportune and comprehensive movement, and we are glad to see the young men of congress engaged in it. Mr. Donnelly is himself a type of the progressive spirit. Born, we believe, in another land, educated at the Philadelphia high school, (an institution which has given some of the finest intellects to the public councils, and some of the bravest officers to the union cause,) he left that city, comparatively a few years ago, and settled in what was then the territory of Minnesota. Here his industry, intelligence, and energy soon attracted attention. His love of freedom taught him that the so-called democratic party was the veriest slave of slavery, and he co-operated with the republicans by whom he was first chosen lieutenant governor, after the new state was organized, and at the last election representative in Congress from the St. Paul district. His course in the House shows that he is not only worthy of the confidence of his constituents, but abundantly competent to the discharge of the duties of the servants of a free and a progressive people.

The Winona *Republican* says that one dollar bills on the Winona County Bank, Minn., altered to fives, have been put in circulation and the alteration is so well done that several fair judges of money have pronounced the bills genuine. A close scrutiny of the five on each upper corner and an examination of the back of the bill, will expose the alterations. As this bank has never issued fives, any peason seeing one of that denomination will understand it to be an altered one.

Vermont has furnished two thousand and twenty-five more soldiers than have been required of her under all the calls thus far made.

### Merchant's Convention.

The following proceedings of a convention held in Red Wing, Minn., March 3d, 1864, for the purpose of taking into consideration the exhorbitant rates of freights established by the several rail road and steam boat lines connecting the upper Mississippi with Milwaukee, Chicago, and the East, and taking some steps whereby it may be reduced, were received too late for our last issue:

Convention met at 1 P. M. in the Court House.

Judge S. G. Renick, of Hastings, president. M. Bessey of Lake City, secretary.

The following delegates were present:

Capt. D. C. Mapes, of Milwaukee.

Judge Renick, W. D. French, N. C. Draper, J. Candler, jr., J. F. McGrath, W. Thompson, G. Robson, jr., C. A. Baker, of Hastings.

Chas. McGlashan, C. Betcher. J. A. Marvin, T. B. Sheldon, T. K. Simmons, Wm. Adams, P. Meserole, of Red Wing.

J. M. Wellis, J. L. Armstrong, M. Bessy, of Lake City.

On motion the call for the convention was read.

On motion of Mr. Marvin the following committee was appointed to draft resolutions for the convention:

French and Candler, of Hastings.

Armstrong and Willis, of Lake City.

Marvin and McGlashan, of Red Wing.

Capt. Mapes, of Milwaukee.

On motion, convention adjourned to meet at Metropolitan Hotel at 5 o'clock.

SECOND SESSION.

Meeting came to order pursuant to adjournment. Committee reported the following resolutions which were accepted and the committee discharged:

*Resolved*, That a committee of three be appointed by the convention for the purpose of making contracts for the transportation of freight to and from Milwaukee and Chicago to points on the Mississippi River, that said committee are hereby aunthorized to make such additions to their number as they may deem advisable.

*Resolved*, That the committee on transportation be and are hereby instructed to confer with the merchants and shippers interested in shipments on the Mississippi River above Dubuque and so far as possible obtain their co-operation and proceed immediately to Chicago, Milwaukee, and such other points as may be necessary for the purpose of making such arrangements in regard to transportation as they may deem advisable and for the interest of the shippers for the purpose of securing a reduction of rates from the present high tariffs, and that if possible they secure to all boats and independent transportation companies an equal chance for a fair competition with the present established line of boats.

J. L. Armstrong, Chairman.

J. A. Marvin, Secretary.

On motion the resolutions were adopted by the convention.

To Capt. Mapes, and the merchants association of Milwaukee whose interests he represented, was tendered a vote of thanks on his necessarily retiring from the convention. On motion the following committee was appointed:

COMMITTEE OF TRANSPORTATION.

Judge Renick, of Hastings.

A. F. Williamson, of Lake City.

C. McGlashan, of Red Wing.

COMMITTEE OF FINANCE.

W. D. French, of Hastings.

M. Bessey, of Lake City.

J. A. Marvin of Red Wing.

On motion the committee of transportation was empowered to fill their place by substitutes if necessary, and to call a meeting of this convention at any time when the interests of the association may be benefited thereby, and the members of the convention pledged themselves to carry out whatever arrangements may be made by the committee.

Baker, of Hastings, and Willis, of Lake City, were appointed a committee to draft an agreement for general circulation among shippers and merchants of the upper Mississippi River.

On report of the committee the draft was received, accepted, and ordered to be printed, and the committee discharged.

On motion the convention adjourned.

S. G. RENICK, President.

M. Bessey, Secretary.

The Methodist Episcopal Convention, at Baltimore, adopts resolutions by a vote of 48 against 10 of full fealty to the United States government, and to its constitutional administration in peace and war. They exhort all their brethren, North and South, to submit to the powers that be, and express a hope in favor of emancipation.


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### MARRIED.

On Tuesday evening, March 8th, at the residence of the bride's mother, in Douglass, Dakota County, Minn., by Rev. T. M. Gossard, L. L. TWICHELL, of Hastings, and Miss SALLIE A. DANCE.

### DIED.

In Point Douglas, March 10th, 1864, HORACE G. son of F. W. and Martha E. GETCHEL, aged 1 year and 6 months.

Another little form asleep,
And a little spirit gone;
Another voice is hushed,
And a little angel born.

Maine papers please copy.


## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OFFICE OF COUNTY AUDITOR.
Hastings, March 10, 1864.

To the Town and City Officers of the County of Dakota, Minn.:

The board of county commissioners for their annual meeting in January last passed a resolution which they have this day modified so as to read as follows, to wit:

*Resolved*, That we, the county commissioners of Dakota County, Minn., taking into consideration the great expense to which the county is now subject in conveying and re-conveying prisoners to and from Ramsey County jail, paying their expenses while there, keeping them here while on trial, do deem it expedient to build a County Jail as soon as practicable.

The said commissioners did also order and direct that the foregoing resolution be submitted to a vote of the electors of the county at their next annual town or municipal elections, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 17 of the laws of 1863, found on page 61, and that notice be given to you by publishing this notice three weeks successively in the newspapers printed in the county. The clerks will therefore incorporate the foregoing resolution in their respective notices for their town or city elections, and the vote must be taken by ballot. Each ballot should have written or printed thereon the words For County Jail or Against County Jail, as the elector prefers; the ballots counted and the results returned to this office in the same manner as the votes for county officers, within ten days thereafter. L SMITH, Co. Auditor.

*Independent* and *Democrat* copy. 49-3t

U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE.

*Annual Taxes for* 1864.

The attention of tax-payers is hereby called to the provisions of the United States Excise Law relative to the assessment of annual taxes.

By the sixth section of the act of July 1, 1862, it is made the duty of all persons, partnerships, firms, associations, or corporations, made liable to any annual duty, license, or tax, on or before the 1st Monday of May in each year, to make a list or return to the assistant assessor of the district where so located of the amount of annual income, the articles or objects charged with a special tax, and the business or occupation liable to pay any license.

Every person who shall fail to make such return by the day specified will be liable to be assessed by the assessor according to the best information which he can obtain; and in such case the assessor is required to add fifty per centum to the amount of the items of said list.

Every person who shall deliver to an assessor any false or fraudulent list or statement, with intent to evade the valuation or enumeration required by law, is subject to a fine of five hundred dollars: and in such case the list will be made out by the assessor or assistant assessor, and from the valuation and enumeration so made there can be no appeal.

Payment of the annual taxes, except those for licenses, will not be demanded until the 30th day of June.

The appropriate blanks on which to make return and all necessary information will be furnished by ELI ROBINSON, assistant assessor for the 3d Division, to whom the returns should be delivered on or before the first Monday of May, at his office in Hastings.

H. G. O. MORRISON,
U. S. Assessor, 2d District.
St. Paul, Feb. 29, 1864. 48-3w

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" " Pencils,
" " Thimbles,
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" " Spectacles,
" " Chains,
" " Necklaces, Etc., Etc.
Pearl & Onyx Sleeve Buttons & Studs,
Gold and Enamel Pins,
Gold and Enamel Locket Pins,
Coral Pins,
Revolving Miniature Pins,
Cameo Pins,
Diamond Rings,
Pearl "
Garnet "
Locket "
Gold and Silver Watches,
Silver and Steel Specs,
Gold Plated Chains,
Silver Plated Chains,
Silver Plated Castors and Cake Baskets,
Silver Plated Cups and Coffee Urns,
Silver Plated Napkin Rings, Etc.,
Silver Fruit Knives,
Pearl and Jet Crosses,
Spy Glasses, Etc., Etc.

I have the largest stock of Jewelry and Plated Ware west of Chicago, which I will sell at cost. Repairing done to order —work warranted.

**Cash Paid for Old Gold & Silver**

J. F. MACOMBER.
Hastings, Feb. 9, 1863. 44-3t


## EDUCATIONAL.

BY PROF. T. F. THICKST UN.

### Distrust of the People.

Many men with whom we meet declare their sympathy with school improvements, but wind up what they say with the declaration that we must not go too fast for the people. They are always afraid that the *people* will not sanction school progress, particularly, if it involves a little expenditure of money.

We have mingled with the people of Minnesota a good deal during the last five years; we have held constant communication with them by letter and otherwise all over the state; we have narrowly watched the style of their acquiessence, whenever expenses for schools, either of a general or local character, had to be met, and we must declare it as our conviction that the people are completely free from the parsimoniousness with which they are sometimes charged. They are generous in footing every bill that promises good to the state. It is a privilege to them to be taxed for the maintenance of the public welfare and intelligence.

Had the legislature been progressive enough to have given a superintendant of public instruction to the state at its late session, the people, we believe, would cheerfully have put their hands in their pockets and borne every needed expense connected with the office. They desire its re-establishment at once, if we can take the expressions of the great religious and educational bodies that assemble annually as embodying the voice of the people. If they desire it, they will pay for it. That these bodies do reflect the public sentiment of the state, we most firmly believe.

Politics, we apprehend, when the history is correctly written, and not the people, has given rise to the apprehension that we might go too fast for public sentiment. Politics, and not the people, if we judge rightly is keeping us out of a good system of schools. Politics, and not the people, will, if possible, stave off action in the future. It will of course use the old battle cry that the people will not sustain the necessary expenses. If, however, every friend of schools is ready to do his duty, and to place responsibility where it belongs, the contest need not be long. Let the teachers speak what they know to be the sentiment of their several neighborhoods, and we shall have a good school system adopted, and, at least, respectably officered before another twelve month rolls round. Collect the voice of the voters at the primary meetings next summer, at the school meetings this spring—in a word, on all suitable occasions. We are willing to abide the result. We have not a doubt that the politics of the times would be formed infinitely in the rear of the sentiment of the people, behind which it attempts to hide. We have faith in the intelligence of our fellow citizens on this subject.

We doubt whether there is a man of any business or profession, who so completely enjoys the confidence of his patrons as the school teacher.

The purchaser of a quart of molasses will look sharply to the side of the measure and the quality of the article, lest he be cheated by his grocer. The fair purchaser of muslins and brocades lays out every quarter carefully for fear depreciated goods may be palmned off upon her. But parents will suffer the brains of their children to be filled by the teacher from the begining to the end of the quarter, without ever once thinking of going in to see what is being done. They allow their hearts to be moulded daily by a good or a bad man, and never manifest the least concern from one years's end to another. Truly there is no man who so fully enjoys the confidence of the people as the teacher.

The examinations of the candidates for teaching in the first commissioner district will take place on the 26th inst., instead of the 24th as before published. We hope to see all concerned present at that time. The examination will be held in the University. We desire to make no private examinations this spring.

The winter session of the University closes on the 25th inst. Public exercises will be given by the school in declamation and composition during the afternoon. All friends of education are invited to be present.

"Mr. Smithers, how can you sleep so? The sun has been up for two hours." "Well, what if he has? (hiccups) He goes to bed at dark, while I'm on a bender till midnight."

## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

### P. O. Notice.---Winter Arrangement.

Mail going East closes at 10½ o'clock, A. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the stages from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.
WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

NEW HARNESS SHOP.—HENRY D. WILLIAMS has opened a new harness shop on Second Street, in the K. R. Z. building.

THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS were in session at their rooms last week. The proceedings were not of general interest to any one except those immediately concerned.

HOP.—Another social dance came off at Teutonia Hall last Friday evening, under the management of Messrs. ED. BARNUM and L. HENRY. It passed off very pleasantly.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.—We are not informed whether this festival, which occurs next Thursday, March 17th, will be observed in this city, but presume it will.

CAPT. CHARLES JEWELL has commenced work upon the *H. S. Allen*, in winter quarters opposite our levee. She is to be painted and re-furnished, and will be ready for navigation as soon as the ice is out of the river.

MARK WILLSON, esq., has the thanks of Ye Editor for a handsome new tile, which we found in our sanctum last Saturday morning. He has a fine assortment of hats on hand, for sale at reasonable prices.

NOTICE.—The Dakota County Agricultural Society will meet at the Bank of Hastings on Thursday, March 24th, at 2 P. M. A full attendance desirable. IRVING TODD, Secretary.
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TAX SALE.—The county board, at their last session, passed a resolution requesting the auditor to let the tax list out to the lowest bidder. Here is at fine opportunity of saving several hundred dollars to the county.

NEWMAN still maintains the reputation of having one of the best assorted stocks of dry goods in town, and well does he merit it. People from the country will find it an excellent place to secure bargains. Union Block, Second Street.

MAPLE SUGAR.—We are pleased to notice the increased attention given the subject of sugar-making this spring, and hope, ere long, the product of this beautiful tree will become a leading staple in the market. The season, thus far, promises to be a favorable one.

EARLY.—We hear of considerable wheat being sown in this and Washington counties week before last, and some in February. So far as our observation extends, the earliest sown produces the best crop. Of course it was upon fall plowing.

SNOW.—Quite a snow storm occurred last Tuesday, continuing two days. It will prove most beneficial to the farmers and lumbermen. The fall was equal to the principal storm last winter, and contained a much larger quantity of water.

BIG INDIANS.—Some twenty chiefs and head men of the Chippewas, including the famous Hole-in-the-Day, passed through this city last week, under the charge of Justus C. Ramsey. They are on the way to Washington to visit the tall Father.

GEOLOGIST APPOINTED.—A. H. HANCHETT, formerly of Hastings, has been appointed by the governor to make a geological survey of the mineral lands of Lake Superior within the limits of this state, and other mineral and coal districts, in accordance with an act for these purposes by the last legislature.

DIRECTORS' MEETING.—A meeting of the directors of the Hastings, Minnesota River and Red River R. R. Co. was held at the office of the secretary March 12th, 1864.

Committee of construction reported that they had continued the grading on said line of road as instructed, and produced receipts for payment of laborers up to date.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

*President*,—W. G. LeDuc.
*Vice President*,—A. W. Gardner.
*Secretary*,—C. A. Baker.
*Treasurer*,—L. S. Follett.
*Attorney*,—Eli Robinson.
*Com. of Construction*,—G. S. Winslow and J. C. Meloy.

On motion, adjourned.

C. A. Baker, Secretary.

THE ICE in front of the levee is becoming quite rotten and, with a few warm days, will disappear entirely. A team broke through yesterday morning drowning one horse.

MACOMBER'S is the place to get repairing and engraving done at short notice and in the most approved style. The best of workmen constantly on hand. On Second Street, nearly opposite the Tremont House.

CONFIRMED.—We observe that the Senate has confirmed the appointment of Adjt. JOHN H. PELLER, of the Minn. 1st, to be assistant adjutant general, with the rank of captain. JOHN is well an favorably known by most of our citizens, and was a resident of Hastings before entering the army.

SOLD OUT.—Messrs TRUAX & KNOWLTON have sold their steam saw mill to CURTISS & COWLES, the former proprietors, who will run it the present season.

E. P. BARNUM has disposed of his interest in the lumber yard of this city to CLARK & Co., the balance of the firm.

OUR RAILROAD.—We spent a few minutes last Saturday in watching the men engaged in grading a portion of the Hastings, Minnesota River, and Red River, R. R., which has its terminus on Bailley Street, next below Ramsey. This route is a most feasible one, and we expect, at no distant day, that the tramp of the iron steed may be heard over the prairies of Dakota County.

OUR SCHOOLS.—We visited the public school one morning last week, and found it in a flourishing condition. Evidently no small amount of pains have been taken on the part of Mr. HAYNES, the clever principal, and his able assistants to instill into the young minds of their pupils the germs of knowledge, and with abundant success. The winter term closes next week.

We also called at the University, and found it doing well, considering the recent hegira on the part of the pupils.

COUNTY JAIL.—As will be seen by a notice in our advertising columns, the county commissioners have taken the preliminary steps towards providing Dakota County with this very necessary appendage. All that is now lacking is a ratification of their proceedure by the people at the polls at their approaching town elections. One would think that this county was abundantly able to keep her prisoners without depending upon Ramsey County, but she is not at present. We do not know exactly how much would be gained annually by the building of a jail, but understood the bill last month for keeping of prisoners at St. Paul, Sheriff's mileage, etc., amounted to $125. The greater portion of this would be saved had we a suitable jail building.

A QUERY.—The following pertinent epistle has been received. We know of no reason why young gentlemen should not attend such gatherings, *provided* the inducements are sufficient. Who will explain. It reads:

Editor Conserver.

We apply to you, as a last resort, for the reason why young gentlemen are so extremely scarce at sociables this muddy weather? We know by experience, who is a wise teacher, as well as by observation, of the unpleasant effects of mud upon patent leather, boot-blacking, etc., but if the inconveniences can be sustained by the weaker sex, they certainly would not be *fatal* to the stronger and nobler(?). Taking the opportunity of assuring them, through "the medium of the press," of our entire sympathy, we remain. INCOGNITA.

Hastings, March 12, 1864.

THE TOWN QUOTAS.—We are indebted to Col. ADAMS for the following table from the adjutant general's office, showing the standing of the various towns of Dakota County up to the present time:

| | Total Enlisted, | Quota. | Excess. | Defic. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Burnsville, | 14 | 27 | — | 13 |
| Castle Rock, | 57 | 47 | 10 | — |
| Douglas, | 21 | 19 | 2 | — |
| Eagan, | 10 | 41 | — | 31 |
| Empire City, | 31 | 29 | 2 | — |
| Eureka. | 36 | 57 | — | 21 |
| Greenvale, | 23 | 39 | — | 16 |
| Hampton, | 36 | 63 | — | 27 |
| Hastings, | 241 | 229 | 12 | — |
| Inver Grove, | 64 | 66 | — | 2 |
| Lakeville, | 46 | 48 | — | 2 |
| Lebanon, | 36 | 23 | 18 | — |
| Marshan, | 11 | 34 | — | 23 |
| Mendota, | 31 | 34 | — | 3 |
| Nininger, | 42 | 38 | 4 | — |
| Randolph, | 17 | 15 | 2 | — |
| Ravenna, | 9 | 14 | — | 5 |
| Rosemount, | 30 | 39 | — | 9 |
| Sciota, | 32 | 26 | 6 | — |
| Vermillion, | 16 | 28 | — | 12 |
| Waterford, | 23 | 26 | — | 3 |
| West St. Paul, | 40 | 60 | — | 20 |

# THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the Bank of Hastings, Exchange Block, Second Street.


## WAYSIDE GLEANINGS, From Here, There, and Elsewhere.

**Jim Lane, of Kansas.**

The Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial* thus describes the fire-eater of Kansas;

"Mr. Lane is a medium sized man about fifty-five years of age, with an exterior rough enough to represent even a worse state than Kansas. He dresses well, but the finer his broadcloth the more prominently the characteristics for which he is chiefly noted "stick out" on his countenance. Ask any stranger in the galleries, who does not know one senator from another except by reputation, to show you Jim Lane when the senate is in session, and if he is at all familiar with the language of features he will immediately point you to an individual with a singularly shaped head and face—broad at the forehead, but narrowing toward the chin like a capital V—a light crop of hair, but what there is protruding from both sides, "like quills upon the fretful porcupine," and upon which, apparently, the only comb used is the fine-tooth comb furnished by nature; dark, wild looking eye, sunk back under a formidable brow; a nose expressive of anything but refinement—neither Grecian nor Roman particularly, but a sort of anomaly which the science of noseology sheds no light upon; a large, rather ill shaped mouth which is generally crammed with tobacco. The man who can witness all these, and attribute them to Jim Lane must be a dull scholar, and I would advise him to take lessons from Fowler & Wells immediately. But if Jim's features do not advertise him sufficiently, his sitting posture will help a little, when he throws himself back in his chair, put both legs on his desk in front of him, dovetails his hands together behind his head, or puts one hand in his breeches pocket and thrusts the other into his shirt bosom, and practices salivationary gymnastics at a spittoon about ten feet distant. With all this, there is a good deal of the gentleman in Mr. Lane's manner, and he is very courteous and affable in conversation. I think he rather prides himself on his rough exterior, and wouldn't be polished if he could."

**A Pleasant Picture.**

Brownlow, in a late number of the Knoxville *Whig*, draws the following of that place. Encouraging to emigration, very:

"We doubt most seriously if there is a more superlatively filthy town than this now is in all the exhausted territory, corrupt range, debauched and filthy dominions of Jeff. Davis. Filthy basements, filthy upper stories, filthy streets, dead mules, horses, hogs, and dogs, meet the eye at every point. Filthy clothes, and filthy sleeping apartments are the order of the day. The insides of beeves and hogs are strewn all over the town, and spoiled meat and bones are thrown out without any regard to where they fall. The smal pox is all over the place, and is daily increasing. And to all these may be added a still more accursed stench and horrible pestilence, arising from the presence, conversation, corruption, and influence of as vile a pack of male and female rebels as ever followed in the infamous footsteps of Aaron Burr, Benedict Arnold, Jeff. Davis, or any other hell-born and hell-bound traitors."

**Interesting Ordination.**

We clip from an exchange the following:

"Bishop Upfold, of Indiana, on the first Sunday in Lent, in Trinity church, Michigan City, admitted to the deaconate, the Rev. Wm. John, lately an honored and useful minister of the Evangelical Church. Mr. John has been ministering in the town of Valparaiso, to a large Lutheran Church; and what makes the case a deeply interesting one, is, that his whole former congregation, consisting of two hundred and thirty members, have accompanied him into the Episcopal Church, been admitted as such, and have organized themselves into St. John's parish, Valparaiso. On the second Sunday in Lent, the Rev. Mr. John was ordained to the priesthood in St. James Church, Chicago."

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"Nigger, who am de fuss man dat introduced salt porwishuns into the navy?"

"Dar, now, you's too hard for dis colorabe indiwidual."

"It war Noah, nigger, when he took Ham beard his ark."

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Mr. Day advertises the loss of his dog; Brown hopes he will succeed in finding him; for if "every dog has his day," he does n't see why every Day should not have his dog.

### A Blindfold Marriage.

The elite of the court of Louis the XIV., the great monarch of France, were assembled in the chapel of the great Trisnon, to witness the nuptials of Louis Count of Franche Complete—a natural son of the King—with Lydonie, Duchess de Baliverne,a worthy heiress.

The singular features of the ceremony was, that the bridegroom's eyes were bandaged with a handkerchief.

The circumstance excited the wonder of all. Had the bride been old and ugly they would not have been surprised. On the contrary she was young and quite pretty.

The King alone understood this strange freak of the bridegroom, and, though much enraged, he prudently held his peace and suffered the ceremony to proceed.

A few words will explain the motive of the bridegroom.

When Louis XIV. came back from his great campaign in the Palatinate, he determined to invite his son, whose valor and daring had greatly pleased him, to one of the wealthy wards of the crown.

He proposed the union to the young Duchess of Baliverne, and found her favorably inclined.

She had just come to court, having just emerged from the convent where she had completed her education.

She had seen the young Count often, but he had never designed to cast a glance upon her. She knew he was brave and noble,and she thought handsome. The bar-sinister in his escutcheon was no objection. She accepted him.

Unfortunately, Louis of Franche Compete, who, like his father, was something of a reprobate, would not accept her.

"My son," said the great king, "I have resolved that you shall marry."

"My worthy sire and most excellent father," returned the Count "I have resolved to do no such thing."

The king frowned. He was not in the habit of being contradicted.

"I have made a formal proposition, in your name, for the hand of the Duchess of Baliverne, and she has accepted you," said he, gravely.

"Doubtless, sneered the young scapegrace, "her taste is excellent; and how could she refuse me? Perhaps it would have been as well to have consulted my feelings in the matter. I do not wish to marry."

"Are you in love with any one?"

"No."

"Then love my Duchess. She is noble, wealthy."

"I am your son—that is nobility enough;" he bowed low as he spoke, and the king smiled at the compliment; "and the Jews trust me—what could I do with more gold?"

"She is the prettiest woman in my court."

"I am tired of pretty women; they are always fools."

"Could you but see her, you would be sure to fall in love with her."

"I never will see her," said the Count determinedly.

"See her or not, you shall marry her!" cried the king, in a rage.

"If I do,I'll marry her with my eyes shut!"

The king grew purple with passion.

"Hark ye, my boy! You owe obedience to me as subject and as son. It is my will that you bestow your hand upon the Duchess de Baliverne. The wedding shall take place this day fortnight. Submit to my will with a good grace, and I will create you a Duke on your wedding day. Dare to disobey me, and I will strip you of your title, and the lands you hold from me, and cast you into the Bastile."

This was what had brought the Count of Franche Compte blindfold to be married.

The king smiled gravely, but said nothing.

The Count placed the ring upon the finger of his bride, but did not salute her, and when the ceremony was over, he turned his back upon her, took the handkerchief from his eyes, and walked deliberately out of the chapel.

Lydonie pouted her pretty lips, and was almost ready to cry with vexation.

The king took her in charge,escorted her to her carriage, and they were conveyed to the hotel her husband occupied.

"Here you are, my dear," said the king,conducting her through the apartments he had expressly furnished for her reception; "here you are at home."

"But where is my husband?" asked Lydonie.

"Silly boy," muttered the king,looking very much annoyed. "Never mind, my dear, he is your husband, the rest will come in time."

"What is the use of having a husband if he won't look at you?" pouted Lydonie.

"He shall look at you, or I'll send him to the Bastile."

"Oh, no," cried Lydonie, "do not force him to look at me. If he has not curiosity enough to see what kind of a wife he has got, I'm sure I do not wish to oblige him to look at me. I see how it is, she continued, a sad expression stealing over her countenance. Sire, you have forced the Count into the union!"

The king coughed and looked guilty.

"Oh!" cried Lydonie, with anguish, "he never will love."

"Why should you care?"

"Because I love him," answered Lydonie innocently.

"Love him?"

"Oh, so dearly; that is why I married him. I had loved from the moment I first beheld And now I am his wife, he will not look at me."

Lydonie burst into a flood of tears and sank upon a sofa.

The king pitied her sincerely, but what could he do? He had forced his son to marry her, but he could not force him to love her.

He thought of the Bastile. It would not make him love his wife to send him there.

"Well, well," he said, "you are his wife, I will make him a Duke, and I dare say you will find him home before morning."

With these words the king withdrew Lydonie was left alone with her sorrow. But she was not to droop long. She soon dried her tears and looked all the better for them,like a rose after a shower.

Her old nurse came in, and together they inspected her new house, which Lydonie found entirely to her satisfaction.

The Count did not return home that night.

A week passed and he did not make his appearance. Lydonie came to the conclusion that he never would come.

She knew it was useless to appeal to the king. He had made Franche Compte a duke, but he could do nothing for her.

She determined to ascertain what her husband was about.

She dispatched a trusty servant for intelligence, and like ll wives who place a spy upon their husband's movements she was not at all pleased with the news she received.

The duke was plunging into all kinds of dissipation. He was making love to all the pretty daughters of the shopkeepers in the Rue St. Antonio.

In fact, for a newly married man, his conduct was shameful.

"To leave me to run after such canaille!" exclaimed Lydonie.

She paused suddenly. An idea had entered her brain. She determined to act upon it.

While she is meditating upon it, let us see what the duke is about.

One night, about eight days after his marriage, the duke, plainly attired and muffled in a cloak, roamed through the Faubourg St. Antonio, as was his wont, in quest of adventures.

As he turned the corner of one of the narrow lanes that intersected that quarter at that period, a piercing shriek burst upon his ear, mingled with suffocating cries for assistance.

The duke's sword was out in an instant. He was brave to rashness. Without a moment's thought he plunged into the lane.

He beheld a female struggling in the grasp of a man.

The man fled precipitately at the approach, and the girl sank into his arms, convulsively exclaiming:

"Save me, oh, save me!"

The duke sheathed his sword and endeavored to calm her fears.

"Why, you are a perfect little beauty!" cried he, rapturously and in surprise.

The girl cast her eyes down and blushed deeply, and the duke felt the little hand that rested upon his arm tremble. But she did not seem displeased.

"Do you reside in Paris?"

"We have only been here a short time; we came from Belville, mother and I"

"From the country, eh? Where do you live, my pretty blossom?"

"In the Rue St. Helene."

"Why that is some distance from here. Will you permit me to escort you home? These streets are dangerous, as you have found, to one as beautiful as you are."

"I would very much like to have you see me home if—if—"

She paused and appeared confused.

"If what?" asked the duke eagerly.

"If you would only be so good—as to promise not to—to—try to kiss me again, if you please, sir," she replied innocently.

The duke was charmed. There was a simplicity and freshness about this young girl which pleased him.

"I give you my word as a gentleman," he was frank, "that no action of mine shall displease you, if you accept my escort."

She came to his side and took his arm with confidence.

"I am not afraid of you," she said, with simplicity, "I know your too good to injure me."

The duke blushed for the first time in—he could not tell how many years—he knew he was receiving a better character than he deserved.

"What is your name?" he asked, as they proceeded on their way.

"Bergeronette."

"What a pretty name? And so you live here in Paris, all alone with your mother?"

"Yes."

"I dare say you have plenty of sweet-hearts?"

"No, I havn't one."

"What, no one that loves you?"

"None," replied Bergeronette, quite sadly.

"Would you like a sweetheart?"

"Perhaps."

"You must be particular in your choice, or you would have had a sweetheart before now. What kind of a one would you like now?"

"I would like one if you please, like—like—"

"Like what?"

"Like you."

Phew! thought the duke, I am getting on here. Now is this cunning or simplicity?

They walked on some time in silence.

Bergeronette checked the duke before a little cottage, with a garden in front. There was a wicket gate leading to the garden.

"Here is where we live."

She took a key from her girdle and unlocked the gate.

Will she invite me to enter? thought the duke—and the thought was father to the wish.

"Good night, sir, and many thanks for your kindness." said B———.

She is a Diana! was the duke's mental reflection.

"Shall I never have the pleasure of seeing you again?" said the duke

"Do you wish it?' she asked earnestly.

"Most ardently."

"I'll ask my mother."

An oath arose to the duk's lips, but he prudently checked it.

"Will you receive me to-morrow?"

"You may come, and if my mother is willing—yes."

"I shall be sure."

"You will have forgotten me by to-morrow."

"I shall never forget you."

"I have heard my mother say men always protest more than they mean."

"Your mother is——" the duke paused and bit his lip.

"What is she?" asked B———.

"She is—is right. But I mean what I say. As soon as the morrow comes so will I."

"Come. Good night."

She turned from him and was about to enter the garden.

"Bergeronette," he said quickly, "one kiss before I go. Surely my forbearance deserves it."

She made no answer, but gently inclined her head towards him. For a moment she lingered in his arms, and then tore herself from his embrace and passed quickly through the gate.

The duke determined to follow her. When he placed his hand against the gate, he found it fastened

So the duke went to his lodgings—he had taken bachelor apartments on his wedding day—to dream of Bergeronette.

The next day he went to the cottage in Rue St. Helene.

He was received by Bergeronette timidly, and introduced by her to her mother, a fine matronly dame, who sat quietly spinning in the corner, and allowed the couple to roam along the garden at will.

The duke thought she was a very sensible old woman.

The duke departed at the end of the three hours more in love than ever.

He came every day for a fortnight, and every day he pressed his suit. But there was only one way in which Bergeronette could be won—an honorable marriage.

The duke was in dispair at his wits ends. He had a stormy scene with the king,who threatened to send him to the Bastile if he did not return to the Duchess.

So he came to Bergeronette on the fourteenth day to make a final effort to obtain her. They were alone together in the garden.

"Hear me, Bergeronette," he cried, when he had exhausted every argument and found her still firm, "I swear to you were I free,this instant would I wed you. I have told you that I am a duke. Now you shall know all. I am the Duke de Franche Compete, and I am—already married!"

"Married,"echoed Bergeronette,with a smothered scream.

"I was forced into this union by the King's command. I do not love my wife. I have never even seen her face. I left her at the altar's foot, and we have never met since. She possessed my title, but you alone possess my heart. Fly with me. In some distant land we may dwell in happiness, blessed with each other's society. Time may remove the obstacle to our union; death may befriend us; a divorce may be obtained, and then I swear to you, by every saint in heaven, you shall become my Duchess."

"Were you free, would you really make me your wife?"

"I have pledged you my word."

"I believe you."

"Will you fly with me?"

"I will."

"Dear Louis," she murmured, for so he had learned her to call him, I also have something to impart to you. My name is not Bergeronette, and I am not what you take me to be."

"What do you mean?"

"I have an equal title to your own."

"Then this old woman?"

"Is not my mother, but my nurse."

"And the man who assaulted you?"

"Was my lackey, instructed for the purpose.

The duke looked bewildered.

"And I, like you," she continued, "am—married."

"I'll cut your husband's throat!" exclaimed the duke wildly.

"I don't think you will when you know him."

"Who is he then,and who are you?"

"I am—Lydonie, Duchess de Franche Compete, and you are he!"

The duke was thunderstruck.

Lydonie knelt at his feet.

"Forgive me for this little plot," she pleaded. "It was to gain your love. If it has succeeded, I am happy—if it has failed, with my own lips I will sue the king for a divorce."

"Up—to my heart," cried the duke joyfully, as he caught her up in his arms; you have insured our mutual happiness. Ah! none are so blind as those who will not see. Little did I think when I stood blindfolded by your side at the altar that I was rejecting such a treasure.

They passed their honeymoon in the little cottage, and the duke was not sent to the Bastile.

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## WAYSIDE GLEANINGS, From Here, There, and Elsewhere.

**Jim Lane. of Kansas.**

The Washington correspondent of the Cincinnati *Commercial* thus describes the fire-eater of Kansas:

"Mr. Lane is a medium sized man about fifty-five years of age, with an exterior rough enough to represent even a worse state than Kansas. He dresses well, but the finer his broadcloth the more prominently the characteristics for which he is chiefly noted "stick out" on his countenance. Ask any stranger in the galleries, who does not know one senator from another except by reputation, to show you Jim Lane when the senate is in session, and if he is at all familiar with the language of features he will immediately point you to an individual with a singularly shaped head and face—broad at the forehead, but narrowing toward the chin like a capital V—a light crop of hair, but what there is protruding from both sides, "like quills upon the fretful porcupine," and upon which, apparently, the only comb used is the fine-tooth comb furnished by nature; dark, wild looking eye, sunk back under a formidable brow; a nose expressive of anything but refinement—neither Grecian nor Roman particularly, but a sort of anomaly which the science of noseology sheds no light upon; a large, rather ill shaped mouth which is generally crammed with tobacco. The man who can witness all these, and attribute them to Jim Lane must be a dull scholar, and I would advise him to take lessons from Fowler & Wells immediately. But if Jim's features do not advertise him sufficiently, his sitting posture will help a little, when he throws himself back in his chair, put both legs on his desk in front of him, dovetails his hands together behind his head, or puts one hand in his breeches pocket and thrusts the other into his shirt bosom, and practices salivationary gymnastics at a spittoon about ten feet distant. With all this, there is a good deal of the gentleman in Mr. Lane's manner, and he is very courteous and affable in conversation. I think he rather prides himself on his rough exterior, and wouldn't be polished if he could."

**A Pleasant Picture.**

Brownlow, in a late number of the Knoxville *Whig*, draws the following of that place. Encouraging to emigration, very:

"We doubt most seriously if there is a more superlatively filthy town than this now is in all the exhausted territory, corrupt range, debauched and filthy dominions of Jeff. Davis. Filthy basements, filthy upper stories, filthy streets, dead mules, horses, hogs, and dogs, meet the eye at every point. Filthy clothes, and filthy sleeping apartments are the order of the day. The insides of beeves and hogs are strewn all over the town, and spoiled meat and bones are thrown out without any regard to where they fall. The smal pox is all over the place, and is daily increasing. And to all these may be added a still more accursed stench and horrible pestilence, arising from the presence, conversation, corruption, and influence of as vile a pack of male and female rebels as ever followed in the infamous footsteps of Aaron Burr, Benedict Arnold, Jeff. Davis, or any other hell-born and hell-bound traitors."

**Interesting Ordination.**

We clip from an exchange the following:

"Bishop Upfold, of Indiana, on the first Sunday in Lent, in Trinity church, Michigan City, admitted to the deaconate, the Rev. Wm. John, lately an honored and useful minister of the Evangelical Church. Mr. John has been ministering in the town of Valparaiso, to a large Lutheran Church; and what makes the case a deeply interesting one, is, that his whole former congregation, consisting of two hundred and thirty members, have accompanied him into the Episcopal Church, been admitted as such, and have organized themselves into St. John's parish, Valparaiso. On the second Sunday in Lent, the Rev. Mr. John was ordained to the priesthood in St. James Church, Chicago."

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"Nigger, who am de fuss man dat introduced salt perwishuns into the navy?"

"Dar, now, you's too hard for dis colorabe indiwidual."

"It war Noah, nigger, when he took Ham board his ark."

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Mr. Day advertises the loss of his dog; Brown hopes he will succeed in finding him; for if "every dog has his day," he does n't see why every Day should not have his dog.

### A Blindfold Marriage.

The clite of the court of Louis the XIV., the great monarch of France, were assembled in the chapel of the great Trisnon, to witness the nuptials of Louis Count of Franche Complete—a natural son of the King—with Lydonie, Duchess de Baliverne,a worthy heiress.

The singular features of the ceremony was, that the bridegroom's eyes were bandaged with a handkerchief.

The circumstance excited the wonder of all. Had the bride been old and ugly they would not have been surprised. On the contrary she was young and quite pretty.

The King alone understood this strange freak of the bridegroom, and, though much enraged, he prudently held his peace and suffered the ceremony to proceed.

A few words will explain the motive of the bridegroom.

When Louis XIV. came back from his great campaign in the Palatinate, he determined to invite his son, whose valor and daring had greatly pleased him, to one of the wealthy wards of the crown.

He proposed the union to the young Duchess of Baliverne, and found her favorably inclined.

She had just come to court, having just emerged from the convent where she had completed her education.

She had seen the young Count often, but he had never designed to cast a glance upon her. She knew he was brave and noble,and she thought handsome. The bar-sinister in his escutcheon was no objection. She accepted him.

Unfortunately, Louis of Franche Compete, who, like his father, was something of a reprobate, would not accept her.

"My son," said the great king, "I have resolved that you shall marry."

"My worthy sire and most excellent father," returned the Count "I have resolved to do no such thing."

The king frowned. He was not in the habit of being contradicted.

"I have made a formal proposition, in your name, for the hand of the Duchess of Baliverne, and she has accepted you," said he, gravely.

"Doubtless, sneered the young scapegrace, "her taste is excellent; and how could she refuse me? Perhaps it would have been as well to have consulted my feelings in the matter. I do not wish to marry."

"Are you in love with any one?"

"No."

"Then love my Duchess. She is noble, wealthy."

"I am your son—that is nobility enough;" he bowed low as he spoke, and the king smiled at the compliment; "and the Jews trust me—what could I do with more gold?"

"She is the prettiest woman in my court."

"I am tired of pretty women; they are always fools."

"Could you but see her, you would be sure to fall in love with her."

"I never will see her," said the Count determinedly.

"See her or not, you shall marry her!" cried the king, in a rage.

"If I do,I'll marry her with my eyes shut!"

The king grew purple with passion.

"Hark ye, my boy! You owe obedience to me as subject and as son. It is my will that you bestow your hand upon the Duchess de Baliverne. The wedding shall take place this day fortnight. Submit to my will with a good grace, and I will create you a Duke on your wedding day. Dare to disobey me, and I will strip you of your title, and the lands you hold from me, and cast you into the Bastile."

This was what had brought the Count of Franche Compte blindfold to be married.

The king smiled gravely, but said nothing.

The Count placed the ring upon the finger of his bride, but did not salute her, and when the ceremony was over, he turned his back upon her, took the handkerchief from his eyes, and walked deliberately out of the chapel.

Lydonie pouted her pretty lips, and was almost ready to cry with vexation.

The king took her in charge,escorted her to her carriage, and they were conveyed to the hotel her husband occupied.

"Here you are, my dear," said the king,conducting her through the apartments he had expressly furnished for her reception; "here you are at home."

"But where is my husband?" asked Lydonie.

"Silly boy," muttered the king,looking very much annoyed. "Never mind, my dear, he is your husband, the rest will come in time."

"What is the use of having a husband if he won't look at you?" pouted Lydonie.

"He shall look at you, or I'll send him to the Bastile."

"Oh, no," cried Lydonie, "do not force him to look at me. If he has not curiosity enough to see what kind of a wife he has got, I'm sure I do not wish to oblige him to look at me. I see how it is, she continued, a sad expression stealing over her countenance. Sire, you have forced the Count into the union!"

The king coughed and looked guilty.

"Oh!" cried Lydonie, with anguish, "he never will love."

"Why should you care?"

"Because I love him," answered Lydonie innocently.

"Love him?"

"Oh, so dearly; that is why I married him. I had loved from the moment I first beheld And now I am his wife, he will not look at me."

Lydonie burst into a flood of tears and sank upon a sofa.

The king pitied her sincerely, but what could he do? He had forced his son to marry her, but he could not force him to love her.

He thought of the Bastile. It would not make him love his wife to send him there.

"Well, well," he said, "you are his wife, I will make him a Duke, and I dare say you will find him home before morning."

With these words the king withdrew Lydonie was left alone with her sorrow. But she was not to droop long. She soon dried her tears and looked all the better for them,like a rose after a shower.

Her old nurse came in, and together they inspected her new house, which Lydonie found entirely to her satisfaction.

The Count did not return home that night.

A week passed and he did not make his appearance. Lydonie came to the conclusion that he never would come.

She knew it was useless to appeal to the king. He had made Franche Compte a duke, but he could do nothing for her.

She determined to ascertain what her husband was about.

She dispatched a trusty servant for intelligence, and like ll wives who place a spy upon their husband's movements she was not at all pleased with the news she received.

The duke was plunging into all kinds of dissipation. He was making love to all the pretty daughters of the shopkeepers in the Rue St. Antonie.

In fact, for a newly married man, his conduct was shameful.

"To leave me to run after such cannialle!" exclaimed Lydonie.

She paused suddenly. An idea had entered her brain. She determined to act upon it.

While she is meditating upon it, let us see what the duke is about.

One night, about eight days after his marriage, the duke, plainly attired and muffled in a cloak, roamed through the Fauborg St. Antonie, as was his wont, in quest of adventures.

As he turned the corner of one of the narrow lanes that intersected that quarter at that period, a piercing shriek burst upon his ear, mingled with suffocating cries for assistance.

The duke's sword was out in an instant. He was brave to rashness. Without a moment's thought he plunged into the lane.

He beheld a female struggling in the grasp of a man.

The man fled precipitately at the approach, and the girl sank into his arms, convulsively exclaiming:

"Save me, oh, save me!"

The duke sheathed his sword and endeavored to calm her fears.

"Why, you are a perfect little beauty!" cried he, rapturously and in surprise.

The girl cast her eyes down and blushed deeply, and the duke felt the little hand that rested upon his arm tremble. But she did not seem displeased.

"Do you reside in Paris?"

"We have only been here a short time; we came from Belville, mother and I"

"From the country, eh? Where do you live, my pretty blossom?"

"In the Rue St. Helone."

"Why that is some distance from here. Will you permit me to escort you home? These streets are dangerous, as you have found, to one as beautiful as you are."

"I would very much like to have you see me home if—if—"

She paused and appeared confused.

"If what?" asked the duke eagerly.

"If you would only be so good—as to promise not to—to—try to kiss me again, if you please, sir," she replied innocently.

The duke was charmed. There was a simplicity and freshness about this young girl which pleased him.

"I give you my word as a gentleman," he was frank, "that no action of mine shall displease you, if you accept my escort."

She came to his side and took his arm with confidence.

"I am not afraid of you," she said, with simplicity, "I know your too good to injure me."

The duke blushed for the first time in—he could not tell how many years—he knew he was receiving a better character than he deserved.

"What is your name?" he asked, as they proceeded on their way.

"Bergeronette."

"What a pretty name? And so you live here in Paris. all alone with your mother?"

"Yes."

"I dare say you have plenty of sweet-hearts?"

"No, I havn't one."

"What, no one that loves you?"

"None," replied Bergeronette, quite sadly.

"Would you like a sweetheart?"

"Perhaps."

"You must be particular in your choice, or you would have had a sweetheart before now. What kind of a one would you like now?"

"I would like one if you please, like—like—"

"Like what?"

"Like you."

Phew! thought the duke, I am getting on here. Now is this cunning or simplicity?

They walked on some time in silence.

Bergeronette checked the duke before a little cottage, with a garden in front. There was a wicket gate leading to the garden.

"Here is where we live."

She took a key from her girdle and unlocked the gate.

Will she invite me to enter? thought the duke—and the thought was father to the wish.

"Good night, sir, and many thanks for your kindness." said B——.

She is a Diana! was the duke's mental reflection.

"Shall I never have the pleasure of seeing you again?" said the duke

"Do you wish it?" she asked earnestly.

"Most ardently."

"I'll ask my mother."

An oath arose to the duk's lips, but he prudently checked it.

"Will you receive me to-morrow?"

"You may come, and if my mother is willing—yes."

"I shall be sure."

"You will have forgotten me by to-morrow."

"I shall never forget you."

"I have heard my mother say men always protest more than they mean."

"Your mother is——" the duke paused and bit his lip.

"What is she?" asked B——.

"She is—is right. But I mean what I say. As soon as the morrow comes so will I."

"Come. Good night."

She turned from him and was about to enter the garden.

"Bergeronette," he said quickly, "one kiss before I go. Surely my forbearance deserves it."

She made no answer, but gently inclined her head towards him. For a moment she lingered in his arms, and then tore herself from his embrace and passed quickly through the gate.

The duke determined to follow her. When he placed his hand against the gate, he found it fastened

So the duke went to his lodgings—he had taken bachelor apartments on his wedding day—to dream of Bergeronette.

The next day he went to the cottage in Rue St. Helone.

He was received by Bergeronette timidly, and introduced by her to her mother, a fine matronly dame, who sat quietly spinning in the corner, and allowed the couple to roam along the garden at will.

The duke thought she was a very sensible old woman.

The duke departed at the end of the three hours more in love than ever.

He came every day for a fortnight, and every day he pressed his suit. But there was only one way in which Bergeronette could be won—an honorable marriage.

The duke was in dispair at his wits ends. He had a stormy scene with the king,who threatened to send him to the Bastile if he did not return to the Duchess.

So he came to Bergeronette on the fourteenth day to make a final effort to obtain her. They were alone together in the garden.

"Hear me, Bergeronette," he cried, when he had exhausted every argument and found her still firm, "I swear to you were I free this instant would I wed you. I have told you that I am a duke. Now you shall know all. I am the Duke de Franche Compete, and I am—already married!"

"Married,"echoed Bergeronette,with a smothered scream.

"I was forced into this union by the King's command. I do not love my wife. I have never even seen her face. I left her at the altar's foot, and we have never met since. She possessed my title. but you alone possess my heart. Fly with me. In some distant land we may dwell in happiness, blessed with each other's society. Time may remove the obstacle to our union; death may befriend us; a divorce may be obtained, and then I swear to you, by every saint in heaven, you shall become my Duchess."

"Were you free, would you really make me your wife?"

"I have pledged you my word."

"I believe you."

"Will you fly with me?"

"I will."

"Dear Louis," she murmured, for so he had learned her to call him, I also have something to impart to you. My name is not Bergeronette, and I am not what you take me to be."

"What do you mean?"

"I have an equal title to your own."

"Then this old woman?"

"Is not my mother, but my nurse."

"And the man who assaulted you?"

"Was my lackey, instructed for the purpose.

The duke looked bewildered.

"And I, like you," she continued, "am—married."

"I'll cut your husband's throat!" exclaimed the duke wildly.

"I don't think you will when you know him."

"Who is he then,and who are you?"

"I am—Lydonie, Duchess de Franche Compete, and you are he!"

The duke was thunderstruck.

Lydonie knelt at his feet.

"Forgive me for this little plot," she pleaded. "It was to gain your love. If it has succeeded, I am happy—if it has failed, with my own lips I will sue the king for a divorce."

"Up—to my heart," cried the duke joyfully, as he caught her up in his arms; you have insured our mutual happiness. Ah! none are so blind as those who will not see. Little did I think when I stood blindfolded by your side at the altar that I was rejecting such a treasure.

They passed their honeymoon in the little cottage, and the duke was not sent to the Bastile.

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Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

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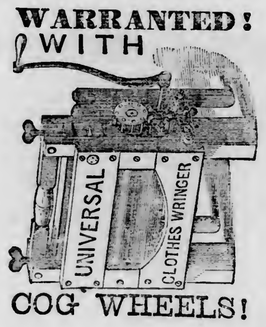


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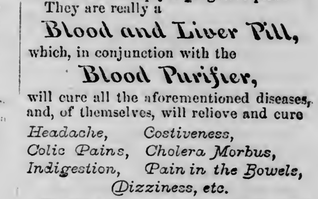


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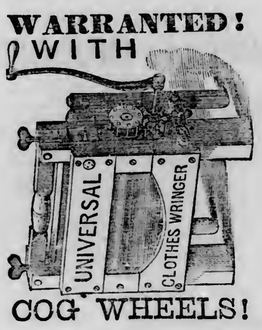


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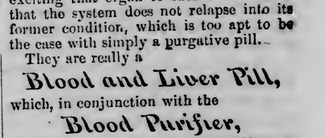


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I have not a doubt that such an application to the war department will be successful.

Let it be remembered that by the blessings of providence the present will be the closing year of the war, that an early discharge will not reduce the liberal bounties paid by the government, and that if we fail in this holy duty, the draft must follow.

I recently said to a large audience that through your partiality I was governor of the bravest men and noblest women on earth; and I now appeal to my fellow soldiers of the Minnesota First to the towns deficient in their quotas, and to the citizens generally to aid me in saving our noble state from the stigma of a compulsory draft.

To those who shall more immediately respond to this appeal, I have only to say that living, your sacrifices will be appreciated, and falling, you will illustrate the truth of the declaration, that—

"The fittest place for man to die
Is where he dies for man."

STEPHEN MILLER.

St. Paul, March 7, 1864.

### Rev. T. Starr King.

Thomas Starr King, whose death is announced on the 3d inst., in San Francisco, was born in New York in 1924. His father's death threw his family upon the son for support just as he was about to enter college, and he was obliged to give up his long cherished plans, and for eight years he was engaged as a clerk and school teacher. He devoted his leisure hours to the study of theology, and in 1845 delivered his first sermon at Woburn, Mass., becoming in the succeeding year pastor of his father's former church at Charlestown, from which he was called in 1848 to the Hollis Street Unitarian Church, in Boston. He remained there till 1860 when he sailed for California. His reputation as a literary man has been derived principally from his efforts in the pulpit and on the platform. In 1859 he published an illustrated volume entitled "The White Hills, their Legends, Landscapes, and Poetry," and the periodicals have from time to time been enriched by contributions from his pen. His loss will be deeply felt in San Francisco, where he had been eminently successful in his labors as a pastor, and where he was esteemed as in the East.

An order promulgating the appointment of Grant lieutenant general, first recites the recent act of congress and then announces the appointment of Grant in language of the law declaring that he is authorized, under direction, during the pleasure of the president, to command the armies of the United States. Gen. Grant is now at Washington, and it is said that he is to be consulted concerning changes in the command of the army of the Potomac. There is good reason to believe that Gen. Meade will be displaced.

The commissioner of the general land office at Washington has decided that a homestead settler has not a complete legal right, but merely an inceptive title, liable to be defeated for non-performance of conditions, and can therefore only use the timber for fencing, buildings and repairs. Under the bounty of Congress he is permitted to acquire a homestead in the public domain for agricultural purposes, on the condition of settlement and cultivation for five years. Until this condition is satisfied he cannot waste by felling timber for market, as the land reverts to the United States on failure to comply with the terms of the law.

Wooden weddings are taking the place of tin weddings. The Utica *Herald* states that one came off there recently, at which the gifts were water-pails, cradles clothes-pins, bootjacks, wash-tubs and rolling-pins, potato-mashers and rattraps, beefsteak maulers and match-safes, sugarboxes and wash-boards, wooden trumpets and jumping jacks, wooden shoes and cord wood, etc.

A widow in Union, Maine, who has twelve children, eleven of them boys, has just sent the eleventh son into the army. On the occasion of his enlisting some officers and friends made up a purse of $200, and presented it to this patriotic matron, who said she was sorry that her other child was not a boy so that she might make another offering to her country.

The number of rebel prisoners of war now in our hands is upwards of forty-six thousand, about three thousand commissioned officers, and between forty and forty five thousand non commissioned officers and enlisted men.

## AGRICULTURAL.

### Small Farms Most Profitable.

Moderately sized farms are most advantageous for men of moderate circumstances, which is the case with three-quarters of the farming fraternity. Big farms are generally superficially cultivated. Poor culture is the dearest culture in the world of agriculture, and no man who owns a farm, be it fifty or five hundred acres, can afford to be what is known as an economical cultivator, a labor-saving, manure-saving, seed-saving farmer. You cannot use the plow, the harrow, or the fertilizer too extravagantly. You can keep at your land with the cultivator till it is as friable as an ant-heap, and a corresponding yield of crops will be the reward. It is only the rich farmer who can afford to farm it in a slovenly or a niggarly manner. A man who owns a four hundred acre farm was heard to say the other day, that he cleared less per year than his neighbor, who cultivated only seventy-five. A given amount of labor will become more profitable the more circumscribed the area of land down to a certain limit. In certain cases a corn crop of twenty-five bushels per acre is obtained, or two hundred and fifty bushels from ten acres; in other cases the same yield is obtained from four acres. The same labor is applied to each and the same manure to each. The field of four acres is in splendid condition—the one of ten slovenly tilled, full of grass, and eaten up double the interest money of the former. A fifty acre farm in the state of New York is said to have produced, a few years ago, the following crop. The prices are about half what the crop would have realized this year:—Ten acres of wheat, thirty-five bushels to the acre, $1 per bushel, $350. Five acres of corn, ninety bushels to the acre, 40 cents, $180. Two acres of potatoes, three hundred bushels per acre, 20 cents per bushel, $120. One acre ruta-bagas, eight hundred bushels per acre, ten cents per bushel, $80. Six acres winter apples, two hundred and fifty bushels per acre, 25 cents per bushel. $375. Six acres hay, two and one half tons per acre, $6 per ton, $99. Ten acres pasture, worth $60. Five acres barley, forty bushels per acre, 40 cents per bushel, $80. Five acres oats, fifty bushels per acre, 20 cents per bushel, $50, Total, $1,385. The present year this crop would bring near or quite $3000. This yield is not extraordinary, and the fifty acres could be tilled even to-day for $600, seed and all, which would leave a net profit of $2,400. So much for good cultivation.

SPROUTING SORGHUM SEED.—E. A. King says in the *Country Gentleman* that he treats his sorghum seed thus: Place it in a bag with about an equal quantity of plaster of Paris, immerse it in boiling water, allow it to remain five or ten minutes, then place the bag by the stove or in some warm place, and allow it to remain until the sprouts are from one-half to an inch long. This will be in from one to two weeks, when it should be planted. He says, when treated in this way, the young plants will appear above ground in from three to six days. The preparation should be made so as to have the seed ready for planting about the middle of May in this latitude.

A correspondent of the *London Florist* says that soot is a remedy for grub in carrots, parsley, sea-kale and many other things. He says: "I sow soot pretty thickly on the ground where it is needed to sow carrots just when I turn the ground over for the last time, before sowing, and I turn the soil over as roughly as possible. Then sow soot again, but not as thick as the first time. This I work in with the hoe before sowing the carrot seed, and I have for four seasons continuously splendid crops of carots.

The loss of sheep by the January storm and cold was large in Illinois. One farmer reports a loss of sheep in one night to the value of a thousand dollars. The conclusion seems to be that open sheds are not sufficient protection for sheep in the western prairies in severe weather. They need closer buildings. One now admits a large loss from neglecting to place a board around the bottom of the sheds to keep the fierce winds from blowing under them.

## SPECIAL NOTICES.

### FOR SALE.

A Finkle & Lyon Sewing Machine, at less than cost. Enquire at this office.

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Williamsburg, Kings Co.,
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### MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

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| New England, | Bank State of Indiana. |
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| New Jersey, | Michigan, |
| Ohio, | U. S Demand Notes. |
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| U. S. Demand Notes, | 59 | 60 |
| Canada, | 56 | 60 |

### RETAIL PRICES CURRENT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY DRAPER & BALLARD.

HASTINGS, March 15, 1864

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| FLOUR, per sack, | $3 00 |
| WHEAT, per bushel, | 65@8 |
| CORN, do | 85@1 00 |
| OATS, do | 70@75 |
| POTATOES, do | 60@75 |
| BEANS, do | 3 00 |
| ONIONS, do | 2 50 |
| CRANBERRIES, | 4 00 |
| HAY, per ton, | 7 00@9 00 |
| WOOD, per cord, | 2 75@4 00 |
| SALT, per bbl | 4 00 |
| EGGS, per doz | 12@ 5 |
| BUTTER, per lb, | 1 20 |
| CHEESE, per lb | 15@18 |
| PORK, per cwt. | 6¼@7½ |
| BEEF, per cwt. | 4@5 |
| HAMS, per cwt, | 8@9 |
| SHOULDERS, per cwt, | 5@6 |
| DRIED APPLES, | 11@12½ |
| DRIED PEACHES, | 15@25 |
| SUGARS, per lb | 12½@20 |
| MOLASSES, per gal | 70@1 00 |
| COFFEE, Java, | 45 |
| do Rio, | 35@40 |

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Hastings, March 8, 1864. 48-tf

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Cleveland, O.

Many years' experience in the galvanizing business enable me to indorse the above statement in all particulars. JNO. C. LEFFERTS,
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Shop opposite the court-house, Winona, and on Second Street, below Tyler, Hastings, Minn. 18-tf

OLD PAPERS, SUITABLE FOR WRAPpers, for sale at this office at 50 cents per hundred. IRVING TODD.

Sept. 22, 1863.

## MISCELLANEOUS.

BANK OF THOMPSON BROS.

ST. PAUL, Dec. 10, 1863.

**U. S. 5-20'S.**

The secretary of the treasury has not yet given notice of any intention to withdraw this popular loan from sale at par, and, until ten day's notice is given, the undersigned, as general subscription agent, will continue to supply the public.

The whole amount of the loan authorized is five hundred millions of dollars. Nearly four hundred millions have been already subscribed for and paid into the treasury, mostly within the last seven months. The large demand from abroad, and the rapidly increasing home demand for use as the basis for circulation by national banking associations now organizing in all parts of the country, will, in a very short period, absorb the balance. Sales have lately ranged from ten to fifteen millions weekly, frequently exceeding three millions daily, and as it is well known that the secretary of the treasury has ample and unfailing resources in the duties on imports and internal revenues, and in the issue of the interest bearing legal tender treasury notes, it is almost a certainty that he will not find it necessary, for a long time to come, to seek a market for any other long or permanent loan, the interest and principal of which are payable in GOLD.

Prudence and self interest must force the minds of those contemplating the formation of national banking associations, as well as the minds of all who have idle money on their hands, to the prompt conclusion that they should lose no time in subscribing to this most popular loan. It will soon be beyond their reach, and advance to a handsome premium, as was the result with the "seven-thirty" loan, when it was all sold and could no longer be subscribed for at par.

It is a six per cent loan, the interest and principal payable in coin, thus yielding over nine per cent per annum at the present rate of premium on coin.

The government requires all duties on imports to be paid in coin; these duties have for a long time past amounted to over a quarter of a million of dollars daily, a sum nearly three times greater than that required in the payment of the interest on all the 5-20's and other permanent loans. So that it is hoped that the surplus coin in the treasury, at no distant day, will enable the United States to resume specie payments upon all liabilities.

The loan is called 5-20 from the fact that whilst the bonds may run for 20 years yet, the government has a right to pay them off in gold at par, at any time after 5 years. The interest is paid half-yearly, viz.: on the first days of November and May.

Subscribers can have coupon bonds, which are payable to bearer, and are $50, $100, $500, and $1,000; or registered bds of same denominations, and, in addition, $5,000 and $10,000. For banking purposes and for investments of trust-moneys the registered bonds are preferable.

These 5-20's cannot be taxed by states, cities, towns, or counties, and the government tax on them is only one and a half per cent on the amount of income, when the income of the holder exceeds six hundred dollars per annum; all other investments, such as income from mortgages, railroad stock and bonds, etc., must pay from three to five per cent on the income.

Banks and Bankers throughout the country will continue to dispose of the bonds; and all orders by mail or otherwise promptly attended to.

The inconvenience of a few delay in the delivery of the bonds is unavoidable, the demand being so great; but as interest commences from the first day of subscription, no loss is occasioned, and exertion is being made to diminish the delay.

JAY COOKE, Subscription Agt.,
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38-2m

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Hastings, Feb. 19, 1863. 45-tf

ESTRAY NOTICE.—CAME INTO MY enclosure at Spring Lake, about the last of December, 1864, a red STEER, coming three year's old, face white with red spots in it, and some white on his belly.

The owner can have the same by proving property and paying charges.

STEPHEN PENNEY.
Spring Lake, Jan. 29, 1864. 43-4t*

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Hastings, Minn., Feb. 20, 1864. 46-tf

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Hastings, June 14, 1863. 10-tf.

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**Tobacco and Snuff.**

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## LEGAL NOTICES.

MORTGAGE SALE.—NAME OF MORTgagors.—Dennis W. C. Dunwell and Mary Dunwell, his wife, of Dakota County, territory, now state, of Minnesota.

*Name of Mortgagee.*—Ira Bidwell, of Adrian, Michigan, now of St. Paul, Minnesota.

*Date of Mortgage.*—2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

Mortgage recorded 4th day of November A. D. 1857, at nine o'clock A. M., in the office of Register of Deeds of Dakota County, Minnesota, in book E of mortgages on pages 490 and 491.

*Description of Mortgaged Premises.*—All those tracts or parcels of land lying and being in Dakota County, territory, now state, of Minnesota, described as follows: Lots no. two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block 8, and lots number two 2, three 3, and four 4 in block number two 2, and lot number nine 9 in block number nine 9, and lots number four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block number twelve 12, and the undivided one half of block number six 6, all being in town of Brooklyn; it should have been all being in Brooklyn, and Dunnwell and Spencer's addition to town of Brooklyn—according to the survey and plat thereof on record and file in the office of register of deeds for the county of Dakota, also a piece of land described as follows to wit, lying and being in section seven 7, in township number twenty eight 28, range number twenty two 22 beginning at a stake at the intersection of the north line of Bahme's Lane with the center line of the road as surveyed by James Thompson running from said point to Credit River, thence running along said road north thirty one degrees and thirty minutes, east two 2 chains and thirty eight 38 links to a stake. Thence north seventy four degrees, west five 5 chains and four 4 links to Bahme's east line, thence along said Bahme's east line south two 2 chains and thirty eight 38 links to the before mentioned land, thence along the north line of said lane, south seventy four 74 degrees, east three 3 chains and sixty nine links to the place of beginning, containing one acre more or less. Also six 6 fractions of land being lots number one 1, two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block number nineteen 19, bounded on Manomin Avenue and Fourth Street in Oliver's addition to West St. Paul, according to the recorded plat on record in the office of Register of Deeds in and for the said county of Dakota and territory, now state, of Minnesota.

Said mortgage contains a power of sale and was given to secure the payment of a certain promissory note for two thousand three hundred and sixty dollars, bearing even date with said mortgage, and payable six months after date. There is claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of $3,304.

Default having been made in the condition of said mortgage and no suit or proceeding at law having been instituted to recover said mortgage or debt any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided and by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, the mortgaged premises above described will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the office of the register of deeds in Hastings, in said Dakota County, on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1864, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount then due on said mortgage,

Dated St. Paul, Jan. 20, 1864.
43-7t IRA BIDWELL, Mortgagee.
R. F. Crowell, Atty. for Mortgagee.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the sitting of the district court of the first judicial district in and for the county of Dakota on Tuesday, the 22d day of March, 1864, in the city of Hastings, at 10 o'clock A. M., the undersigned proprietors of the north half of southeast quarter and south half of north-east quarter of section 23, township 114, range 19, in said Dakota County, which was surveyed and laid out in the year 1856 as West Empire City, will apply for the entire vacation of the survey of the same,

G. O. ROBERTSON.
MARY ROBERTSON.
Hastings, Feb. 9, 1864. 44-1m*

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36-tf Proprietors.

## LEGAL NOTICES.

MORTGAGE SALE.—WHEREAS DEfault has been made in the conditions of two certain mortgages made and executed by John B. Spencer and Nancy Spencer his wife, of St. Paul, Ramsey County, territory (now state) of Minnesota, and D. W. C. Dunnwell and Mary Dunnwell his wife, of West St. Paul, Dakota County, territory (now state) of Minnesota, mortgagors, to Ira Bidwell, of said St. Paul, Minn., mortgagee, bearing date the 17th day of April, A. D. 1858, whereby the said mortgagors did grant, sell, and convey unto the said mortgagee, his heirs and assigns, the following described tracts or parcels of land, lying and being in the county of Dakota aforesaid, to-wit:

All that part of the lots numbered four (4), five (5), and eight (8), and of the north-east quarter of the south west quarter, of section five (5), of township number twenty-eight (28), of range number twenty-two (22), which is now owned by the said parties of the first part or any of them, except such portion thereof as is included within the town plat or within the addition of Dunnwell and Spencer, of the town of Brooklyn, in said Dakota County, the said lands hereby intended to be conveyed, containing about ninety (90) acres, about thirty (30) thereof lying and being contained in said fractional lot four (4), and about thirty (30) thereof in said fractional lot five (5), and about twenty (20) thereof in said fractional lot eight (8), and the remainder thereof in said north-east quarter of the south-east quarter.

Also block number three [3], block twenty-five [25], block twenty-six [26], block twenty-seven [27], block twenty-eight [28], lots number one [1], two [2], three [3], four [4], five [5], six [6], of block number twenty-nine [29], lots number one [1], two [2], three [3], four [4], in block number thirty [30], lots number one [1], two [2], five [5], six [6], seven [7], eight [8], and nine [9], in block number sixteen [16], lots number seven [7], eight [8], nine [9], ten [10] of block number fifteen [15], lots number two [2], three [3], four [4], five [5], and six (6) of block number eight (8), lots five (5), six (6), nine (9), and ten (10) of block number five (5), lots number seven (7) and eight (8) of block number twenty-four 24, and lots number one 1, two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6, and fourteen 14, and fifteen 15, of block number twenty-one 21, all of Dunnwell & Spencer's addition to the town of Brooklyn, according to a plat thereof on record in the office of the register of deeds of said Dakota county.

Both of said mortgages were given to secure the payment of a certain promissory note for nine thousand and eighty-eight dollars and thirty-six cents, bearing even date with said mortgages, with interest thereon at the rate of three per cent per month, and payable on or before one year after date.

Each of said mortgages contains a power of sale, and was duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Dakota County aforesaid, on the 26th day of April, 1858, at nine o'clock A. M., in block F of mortgages, pages 199 and 200 and 202, 203, and 204.

And whereas there is claimed to be due upon said mortgages at the date of this notice the sum of $15,382. And no suits or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover said debt secured by said mortgages or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the mortgaged premises above described will be sold at public auction, to the highest bider, at the front door of the office of Register of Deeds, in Hastings in said Dakota County, on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1864 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount then due on said mortgages.

Dated, St. Paul, Jan. 20th, 1864,
IRA BIDWELL, Mortgagee.
R. F. Crowell, atty for mortgagee. 43-7t

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Being a hunting or open face or lady's or gentleman's watch combined, with patent self winding improvement, a most pleasing novelty. One of the prettiest, most convenient, and decidedly the best and cheapest timepiece for general and reliable use ever offered. It has within it, and connected with its own machinery, its own winding attachment, rendering a key entirely unnecessary. The cases of this watch are composed of two metals, the outer one being the 16 caret gold. It has the improved ruby action lever movement, and is warranted an accurate timepiece. Price, superbly engraved, per case of half dozen, $204. Sample watches, in neat morocco boxes, $35.

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The sale of these watches in the army is a source of enormous profit, as they very readily do at $25 and upwards. Many hundred dollars can be made in a single pay day by any one of ordinary business tact.

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Upon receipt of $2, as guarantee of good faith, we will send watches to any part of the loyal states by express, collecting balance of bill on delivery. This ensures buyers against fraud, giving them their watches before payment is required.

Soldiers in the disloyal states must remit cash in advance, as the express companies peremptorily refuse making collections in such dangerous localities. Remember, cash in advance from within the army lines in rebel states. We guarantee the safe delivery of all watches, whether they are sent by mail or express.

47-2t HUBBARD BROS.,
Sole Importers,
171 Broadway, cor. Cortland Street, N Y.

ESTRAY NOTICE.—TAKEN UP BY the subscriber, Jan. 1st, 1864, one young bay mare COLT, three years old last spring or four next spring, with black mane and tail, pastern joints dark brown.

The owner can have her by proving property, paying charges, and applying to

SAMUEL C. ABBUCKEL.
West St. Paul, Jan. 30, 1864. 42-1m*

# THE HASTINGS CONSERVER.

VOLUME III.---NO. 50. HASTINGS, DAKOTA COUNTY, MINNESOTA, TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1864. $2 00 PER YEAR.


## THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 1864.

Single copies of the CONSERVER may be obtained at this office, or at the Bookstore. Price Five Cents.

### The Presidential Situation.

The withdrawal of Mr. Chase, in a letter of his published a few days since, removes the last obstacle interfering with the ultimate success of Mr. Lincoln in the approaching presidential election and is a source of gratification to all friends of the present administration. It effectually precludes the idea, so industriously circulated by the quondam democratic party, of a split in our ranks next fall, no other candidate, save Mr. Lincoln, having sufficient prominence or backing to warrant his bringing out. The malicious attempt of the *World* and other journals of that complexion, to induce Fremont to take the field in opposition, meet with little or no encouragement from his friends, and will fall stillborn to the ground. Honest Old Abe will be re-nominated by a unanimity second only to that received by the Father of his Country.

No less than fourteen of the states of the Union have declared, through their legislatures or other equally authoritative bodies, their preference for Mr. Lincoln, and the voice of the people, wherever expressed, has invariably been given in the same direction. No question then arises as to the result of the Baltimore convention in June next, and it will undoubtedly prove a grand ratification meeting.

While we recognise the undisputed financial talents of Mr. Chase, and admit that he would undoubtedly make an excellent president, we have too much faith in our present head of affairs to unwisely thrust him aside for a new man. No one in the nation has had a better opportunity for understanding our affairs, and we trust the people will see it for their interest to allow him to complete the gigantic task he has undertaken. Then, and only then, will be the time for a change.

### The Draft.

The President has called for two hundred thousand men, in addition to the call of February 1st for five hundred thousand. The aggregate of all calls, including this last one, foots up the enormous number of two million one hundred and seventy-five thousand men. The proportional quotas for the different districts will be made known as speedily as possible, by the provost marshal. The 15th day of April, 1864, is designated as the time up to which the numbers required from each ward of a city, town, etc., may be raised by volunteer enlistments; and drafts will be made in each ward of a city, town, etc., which shall not have filled the quota assigned to it within the time designated for the number required to fill said quota. The draft will be commenced as soon after the 15th of April as practicable. The government bounties as now paid continue until April 1st, at which time the additional premiums cease. On and after that date, one hundred dollars bounty only will be paid as provided by the act approved July 22d, 1861.

### More Light.

The New York *Tribune* says that a written communication was sent to the secretary of war recently by a former member of the Maryland Legislature, and a cousin of the rebel Gen. Lee, stating that during the battle of Antietam Gen. Lee had his headquarters at his house; that on the night after the battle he sent a messenger into our lines to Gen. McClellan, requesting an interview at his headquarters; that Gen. McClellan, accompanied by some of his staff, rode that night through the rebel lines, and had a long interview with Gen. Lee who, among other things, informed McClellan that his army was crossing the Potomac. The writer has been subpœned before the committee on the conduct of the war. A pretty bone for the friends of the "Second Napoleon" to discuss.

Geo. D. Prentice has disposed of his interest in the Louisville *Journal*, but allows the purchasers to use his name as editor. Paul R. Shipman, a renegade Yankee, and copperhead of the Jeff. Davis school, is now its senior editor.

### Report of the North-Western Commission for January and February, 1864.

A copy of the above report has been laid upon our table, by which it appears that the commission received, during the first two months of the year, [illegible] boxes of hospital supplies, and [illegible]ped 1,751, mostly to Cairo, Chattanooga, Knoxville, Vicksburg, Memphis, etc. The money receipts for the same time were $976.03—the expenditures were $15,988.54. Of this sum $13,032.02 were expended for sanitary stores, such as green tea, crushed sugar, vegetables, sour krout, dried fruit, butter, condensed milk, bedding, etc., which were sent directly to the hospitals. Of the remainder, $1,472.70 were paid for matters connected with the north-western fair, and the balance, $1,483.82 for rent, clerk hire, postage, agents in the field, and like necessary expenses. The report calls most urgently for prompt and large shipments of vegetables, sour krout, pickless, dried fruit, and other anti-scorbutics, to arrest the alarming progress of scurvy among the army of the south-west. We beg that the call of the commission may not be unheeded. The extensive prevalence of scurvy in the army will be more fatal to our men, more damaging to our arms, than the loss of a battle. We of the north have the remedy in our hands. Let every body set at work immediately, and for the coming month let us devote ourselves to sending vegetables and pickles to the veterans of Gen. Grant—the heroes of Vicksburg, Chickamauga, and a score of other battles.

The great Eastern mails, due at Chicago for Chicago and the Northwest, at 11:15 Thursday morning, were, with the exception of one bag for that city and one for Leavenworth, Kansas, totally destroyed by fire at Bellevue, Huron County, O., consequent upon the serious railroad accident which occurred there, on the Cleveland & Toledo Railroad. Four cars were burnt, and the baggage-master and several others were killed at the same time. These mails were large and important, including mails from Cleveland, Erie, Buffalo, Troy, Hartford, and New York city, and the letters sent to those offices for distribution, from all quarters. The date of dispatch of the New York mails is Tuesday evening, 8th inst., and the Buffalo mails Wednesday morning.

As an instance of what business men lose by refusing or neglecting to advertise, the St. Cloud *Democrat* mentions the following:—"A gentleman in this city wishing to make a collection in Winona, asked us for a copy of a paper published in that place, that he might learn the name of some lawyer located there. We handed him the *Republican*, the only paper in Winona, but it contained *not one* attorney's card. Enterprising people!"

A private dispatch to the clerk of the Senate, Harrisburg, March 10th, announces that Maj. Harry White, late senator, whose absence made a lock in the senate, is on his way from Fort Monroe to Baltimore. When read to the senate, there were decided demonstrations of gratification, especially on the democratic side. Republicans told them distinctly that their demonstrations were hypocritical. Maj. White is released as soon as Mr. St. Clair is elected. The copperheads make nothing by his detention. Comment is useless.

The case of Surgeon General Hammond, who was some time ago brought before a military commission in Washington, has not yet been made public. Whether he will be acquitted or not does not appear, but he has the misfortune of receiving the most extravagant praise from the New York *World*, which is enough to damn him in the eyes of respectable people.

The *Scientific American* states that in England the coffins from over-crowded burial grounds, are dug up, dried, and ground and used as an ingredient in the adulteration of coffee. A beverage made of such material would stand a chance to have a great deal of body to it.

We have received from Bromley & Co., Box 4265, New York, a lithograph representing the Grave of the Union being a carricature of the president, cabinet,, and other prominent individuals. It is of no value or interest to others than copperheads. Price 25 cts. per copy; five for $1.

Returns from New Hampshire, 220 towns, leaving 10 towns to hear from, stands, Gilmore 36,757: Harrington, 30,759; scattering, 76. Gilmore's majority will be about 5,600.

### Local Papers.

The following from the Albany *Journal* contains some of the soundest sense on the subject of local papers we have seen in print this many a day. It will do to think of and act upon:

"There is a vital defect in the prevalent mode of conducting political campaigns. Ordinarily, nothing direct is attempted until within a few weeks of the election. Then the state is flooded with campaign documents, election covering handbills and stump speakers. They are serviceable, undoubtedly, in arousing friends, but very seldom in converting enemies.

"To draw recruits from the opposition something besides the missiles of a thirty days' campaign are necessary. That work requires time and deliberation. Mens' reason should be appealed to seasonably, and not merely during a heated canvass.

"The most effectual mode of doing this is through the press. Men instinctively imbibe what they find enforced in their favorite paper. If there is, in their immediate locality, a well conducted journal—made interesting by its pointed essays to the politician—that is the agency which should be employed. There is no way in which money can be as profitably used as by sending such a paper to every accessible household. And if this work is commenced eight or ten months in advance of an excited canvass, a hundred fold more good will be accomplished than by any other process.

"Our exhortation, therefore, to our friends is, circulate the local papers. If others are mixed in, where it is thought they would be more acceptable, very well; but no party can be strong in any county which has not a well conducted and widely circulated newspaper within its own borders."

We believe no military has been issued in this war so universally satisfactory as that which we print this morning, appointing Lieut. General Grant to the command of the armies of the United States. Not the least agreeable feature of it is the announcement of headquarters in Washington *or with Gen. Grant in the field.* Nobody need fear any longer lest he be persuaded to bury himself in a bureau. He is still to lead in person, and the name which is the omen of success to his soldiers will still be their rallying cry in battle. Laureled victory attend his steps.—*New York Tribune.*

The Baltimore *American* of the 12th says: "We regret to learn that Senator Hicks was yesterday compelled to submit to the amputation of his right foot, which was performed by Prof. Smith, assisted by Dr. Carroll and other professional gentlemen. He has for sometime been suffering from a violent sprain of the ankle, and erysipelas having set in, amputation became necessary. The operation was performed with great skill, and the patient, notwithstanding his weakly condition, was regarded as in better prospect of ultimate recovery than for several days past.

The secretary of state has offered a premium of $200 for the best essay on the advantages of Minnesota as a home for emigrants, and $100 for the second best. A capital opportunity for the interpolation of a few circumlocutory metaphoric sentences in relation to climatology, globous development, etc. Bro. Wheelock, wade in!

The old *Knickerbocker*, which has been degenerating for several years past, has been turned over to the undertakers—the democratic party. J. Holmes Agnew will act as chief mourner, assisted by ex-president N. Lord and others. The March number, which is before us, contains their first announcement.

The recent queer political antics of the New York *Independent* are accounted for. Henry Ward Beecher is no longer its editor. Mr. Theodore Tilton, an imitator of Wendell Phillips, now fills that position. Mr. Beecher will continue to contribute his * papers to its columns.

Governor Merton announces that Indiana's quotas, under all calls, were more than full without taking into account the veteran re-enlistments. He, however, urges the active continuance of recruiting.

The copperheads of Maryland are making a strong effort to get a controlling power in the approaching constitutional state convention, but their prospects are not brilliant.

Wanted—By a maiden lady, "a local habitation and a name." The real estate she is not particular about, so that the title be good. The name she wishes to hand down to posterity.

If your husband chews, thank God that he doesn't smoke. If he chews and smokes, thank God that he doesn't take snuff. If he does all three, thank God that he'll not live long.

The Springfield (Mass.) *Republican* hints mysteriously at an immense submarine vessel which it says "has been building and is nearly completed at a shop not a thousand miles from the City Hall.

Small-pox is spreading rapidly in Lafayette, Indiana. Red flags are waving from houses in all portions of the city, warning citizens that the loathsome disease rages in the vicinity of each.

## EDUCATIONAL.

BY PROF. T. F. THICKSTUN.

### Troublesome Scholars.

Every teacher knows that there are in every school a few scholars of peculiar temperament, who are always in trouble, or are always producing trouble. They are a source of increasing perplexity to all order-loving inmates of the school. The teacher invariably sighs, while the little ones vent their spite by "making mouths" whenever one of these unhappy children crosses the threshold.

While we could do nothing to increase the number of troublesome children at home or at school, yet we must say that they are too frequently under-rated or abused. They are under-rated because not understood, their hateful qualities driving attention from their good ones, and abuse almost necessarily follows. Yet there is a gem in that rough exterior worth laboring for—there is an element of heroism, or goodness, or intelligence there, which may after long years of culture and experience captivate and exalt humanity infinitely above its present level. That pouting lip and that habitually sulky countenance may by proper teaching become the index of a soul full of all the good and noble attributes of humanity. The world needs to-day ten thousand souls of the loftiest possible patriotism, and of the most comprehensive christian intelligence and excellency to carry on its various schemes of science, literature, and benevolence. These schemes have been devised by a few great and good minds, but they cannot be put into operation on account of the scarcity of high-mindedness in the human character.

We believe that these moody scholars can be redeemed. That cloudy brow may wear sunshine. That apparently malicious heart may be a well-spring of kindness, and that curse may be changed into the humblest of benedictions and praise. One of the missions of the teacher is to be instrumental in re-instating in childish innocence and cheerfulness those who have fallen into the troublesome list. Perhaps they are there for that very purpose, as they possess a quality, excellent in itself, highly developed along side of others but moderately strong. All they need may be equalization, or it may be a change of direction to make those incessantly troublesome elements of character as incessantly productive of goodness. Perhaps, also, if redemption does not come at the present time, they may be helplessly lost to virtue and intelligence.

The district schools of this city close their several winter sessions on next Friday. We hear favorable reports of Mr. Haynes, the principal. He is an earnest and straight-forward teacher. He retires with the good wishes of the community following him.

The annual meeting for the election of school officers occurs next Saturday. We understand some miscellaneous business relating to the building of a school house will come up for the consideration of the meeting.

"You have not a drop of the great Napoleon's blood in your veins," said testy old Jerome one day in a pet to his nephew the Emperor. "Well," replied Louis Napoleon, "at all events I have his whole family on my shoulders."


JEWELRY AND PLATED WARE.

YOU CAN BUY AT COST

Solid Gold Breast Pins,
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" " Crosses,
" " Bracelets,
" " Studs,
" " Sleeve Buttons,
" " Pencils,
" " Thimbles,
" " Watch Keys,
" " Spectacles,
" " Chains,
" " Necklaces, Etc., Etc.
Pearl & Onyx Sleeve Buttons & Studs,
Gold and Enamel Pins,
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Coral Pins,
Revolving Minature Pins,
Cameo Pins,
Diamond Rings,
Pearl "
Garnet "
Locket "
Gold and Silver Watches,
Silver and Steel Specs,
Gold Plated Chains,
SilverPlated Chains,
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Silver PlatedCups and Coffee Urns,
Silver Plated Napkin Rings, Etc.,
Silver Fruit Knives,
Pearl and Jet Crosses,
Spy Glasses, Etc., Etc.

I have the largest stock of Jewelry and Plated Ware west of Chicago, which I will sell at cost. Repairing done to order—work warranted.

**Cash Paid for Old Gold&Silver.**

J. F. MACOMBER.

Hastings, Feb. 9, 1863. 44-3t


## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.


CHAS. STRAUSS,

Dealer in Watches, Clocks, and Jewelry nearly opposite post-office, Second Street. All kinds of repairing and engraving done to order at short notice. A new stock just received. Prices as reasonable as the times will permit.

Hastings, March 21, 1864. 50-1y

FLOUR! FLOUR!

**Flour!**

A lot of superior Flour for sale by the barrel, at a very low figure. Warranted to give satisfaction, or may be returned.

H. COGSWELL.

Hastings, March 17, 1864. 50-tf


STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Dakota—ss. Probate court.

At a special session of the probate court held at the probate office in the city of Hastings in and for said county of Dakota, this 21st day of March, 1864. Present Seagrave Smith, judge.

In the matter of the petition of John S. Prince, of the city of St. Paul, in the county of Ramsey and state aforesaid, as guardian of Pierre Provencelle, Harriet Provencelle, Mary A. Provencelle, and Flora Provencelle, minors, residing in said county of Dakota, praying for a license to sell so much of the real estate of said minors as may be necessary for their support, education, etc.

On reading and filing said petition it is ordered that the next of kin of said wards and all persons interested in their said estate be and they are hereby directed to appear before this court at the probate office in the city of Hastings in said county on the 20th day of April, 1864, at one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, to show cause (if any they have) why license should not be granted to said petitioners to sell the real estate of said wards for the purpose aforesaid.

It is further ordered that notice of said hearing be giving by publishing a copy of this order in the Hastings *Conserver*, a newspaper printed and published in the city of Hastings in said county, once in each week for three successive weeks immediately prior to said 20th day of April, 1864.

SEAGRAVE SMITH,
50-3w Judge of Probate.


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Gentlemen's Fine Calf Sewed Boots, best material and make in the United States.
Do Fine French Calf Boots.
Do Fine Calf Balmorals and Gaiters.
Do Kid and Plush Slippers.
Farmer's business and other boots.
Men's, Boy's, and Youth's Kip and Calf Boots.
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Hastings, March 22d, 1864. 50-tf

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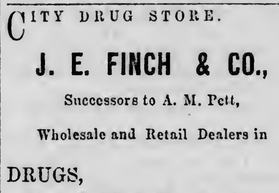

AMBROTYPES!

The undersigned has established himself in the rooms over Thorne, Norrish, & Co.'s store, where he is prepared to take all kinds of Pictures in the best of styles and at low rates. Call and examine specmens.

E. A. BEACH, Photograph Artist.
Hastings, Jan. 9, 1864. 50-tf


## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

### P. O. Notice.—Winter Arrangement.

Mail going East closes at 10½ o'clock A. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the stages from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.
WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

APPOINTMENT.—MICHAEL MELANEY, of this city, has been appointed deputy sheriff in place of WM. JONES, removed.

EXHIBITION.—We learn that the students of the University will give an exhibition at Teutonia Hall on the closing of the school, 22th inst. The particulars have not been furnished us.

NOTICE.—The Dakota County Agricultural Society will meet at the Bank of Hastings on Thursday, March 24th, at 2 P. M. A full attendance desirable. IRVING TODD, Secretary.
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NEW ADVERTISMENTS.—Jewelry store, Chas. Strauss.
Flour, H. Cogswell.
Probate Notice.
Boots and shoes, John Skelton.
City Drug Store, J. E. Finch & Co.

RETURNED.—The 4th Minn. Regiment arrived in town last Saturday night and left for St. Paul on Sunday. They were quartered at Teutonia Hall, and the citizens contributed eatables during their stay.

CITY ELECTION.—By a recent act of the Legislature our municipal election takes place hereafter on the same day as the town elections, viz., the first Tuesday of April. The office of police justice has been made elective instead of appointable.

ATTENTION.—The U. S. Internal Revenue notice for 1864, as published in this paper, requires all persons assessed to make their returns to the assistant assessor on or before the first Monday in May, at his office in Hastings. For neglect, a heavy penalty is attached.

SCHOOL MEETING.—There will be a meeting of the legal voters of School District Number 26, Dakota County, held at Teutonia Hall in Hastings on Saturday evening, March 26th, 1864, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of electing a director, treasurer, and clerk for the ensuing year, and transact such other business as may legally come before the meeting. CHAS. ETHERIDGE, clerk.
Hastings, March 15, 1864.

NURSERY.—We understand that Messrs. CLAFLIN & SALISBURY are about opening a nursery, on the farm of the former, a short distance out of town. It is designed as a branch of the Linn Nurseries, Wisconsin, and will be able to afford all manner of fruit and ornamental trees on the opening of navigation. From the well-known reputation of the gentleman we apprehend they will do a thriving business.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES.—There will be the following services this—Holy Week, at St. Luke's Church:

Morning services every day, except Good Friday, at 9 A. M.

Morning services on Good Friday, at 10½ A. M.

Evening service every day, except Saturday or Easter eve, at 7 P. M.

Evening service on Easter eve at 5 P. M.

A series of sermons, on the "Dying Words of Lord Jesus," will be preached at the evening service on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, and at the morning and evening services on Good Friday.

The Holy Communion will be celebrated on Thursday evening, the anniversary of its institution.

On Easter Day,—Sunday the 27th—the morning service will be at 10½ A. M. with the Holy Communion, a sermon on the Resurrection and an offering will be made on behalf of domestic missions.

Evening service will be at 3 P. M. with a sermon to children.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Special meeting, Wednesday evening, March 16, 1864. Present Mayor Thorne, Alds. Rehse, Meloy, and Taylor.

The clerk was instructed to give notice of city election. G. S. Winslow and F. B. Curtiss were appointed judges of election for the district composing of the 1st and 2d wards, and C. Johnson and J. Van Hoosen for the 3d ward.

Wm. Jones was appointed city constable for the unexpired term of Geo. Laidley, left the town.

Commitee appointed to ascertain the amount of outstanding poor orders made a report. It gives the following recapitulation;

Amt. of overdrawn orders in 1861-2-3, $418 05
Amt. of orders in excess of collected taxes, 978 27
Amt. of tax levied and uncollected, 860 10
Amt. of tax collected to date, 1,329 05

The committee recommended the bonding of these outstanding orders, and the calling of a public meeting of the citizens to devise means for the support of the poor.

The clerk was requested to make a statement of the amount of city orders issued during the administration of the present council.

Adjourned till Friday evening, 18th inst.

Special meeting, Friday evening, March 18th. Present, Mayor Thorne, Alds. Rehse, Meloy, and Taylor.

Committee on streets and sidewalks were requested to examine into the matter of petition to remove slaughter houses of J. Smart and Chas. Schroth.

Places for opening polls were designated: For the 1st and 2d wards at the office of T. R. Huddleston, corner of Second and Sibley Street. For 3d ward, at store building of H. Cogswell, Second Street.

Adjourned till Monday evening, March 21st.

### LOCAL NOTICES.

SIMON, on Second Street, has a choice supply of cigars, chewing and snuff tobacco, etc., etc. The best brands constantly on hand.

NEWS DEPOT.—The latest papers, magazines, and periodicals may be found at TWICHELL'S, post-office building. Also nuts, toys, candies, etc. Agent for the St. Paul dailies.

MACOMBER'S is the place to get repairing of all kinds done, from a broken watch-spring to a injured character. All work promptly executed, and warranted. The best of workmen always employed.

STANLEY, has the best assortment of school and miscellaneous books, stationery, wall paper, and all sorts of yankee notions in town. Agent for the celebrated Florence Sewing Machine.

HOW TO MAKE MONEY.—"A penny saved is a penny earned," and those who buy their clothing of PRATT will make quite a little sum in the course of a year by so doing. Garments made to order by experienced workmen. Next to post-office.

UNION BLOCK.—We notice that this stand is becoming a favorite resort for those desirous of securing bargains in dry goods, etc. NEWMAN has the credit of being a fair and honorable dealer, and his stock is one of the best in the market.

ANDREWS has the reputation of being the best engraver in the North-West, which he certainly deserves. He moreover, marks all goods sold by him free of charge, quite an item to the purchaser. Watches, clocks, and jewelry for sale at reasonable prices. Call in and examine.

### MONETARY QUOTATIONS OF FOLLETT & RENICK.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

**Bankable Funds.**

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| New England, | Bank State of Indiana. |
| New York. | Iowa. |
| New Jersey, | Michigan. |
| Ohio. | U. S Demand Notes. |
| Canada. | Wisconsin. |
| Pittsburg, | Minnesota. |

**Exchange.**

FOR BANKABLE FUNDS.

| | Buying. | Selling. |
|---|---|---|
| New York, Philadelphia, Boston, | par. | ½ prem |
| Chicago and Milwaukee, | par. | ¼ prem |

PREMIUM FUNDS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Gold, | 55 | 60 |
| Silver (large), | 40 | 60 |
| U. S. Demand Notes, | 50 | 60 |
| Canada, | 50 | 60 |

### RETAIL PRICES CURRENT.

CORRECTED WEEKLY BY DRAPER & BALLARD.

| HASTINGS, March 22, 1864 | |
|---|---|
| FLOUR, per sack, | $300 |
| WHEAT, per bushel, | 85@90 |
| CORN, do | 85@1 00 |
| OATS, do | 70@75 |
| POTATOES, do | 60@75 |
| BEANS, do | 2 00 |
| ONIONS, do | 2 50 |
| CRANBERRIES, | 4 00 |
| HAY, per ton, | 7 00@9 00 |
| WOOD, per cord, | 2 75@4 00 |
| SALT, per bbl | 4 00 |
| EGGS, per doz | 12@15 |
| BUTTER, per lb, | 15@20 |
| CHEESE, per lb | 15@18 |
| PORK, per cwt, | 6½@7½ |
| BEEF, per cwt, | 4@5 |
| HAMS, per cwt, | 8@9 |
| SHOULDERS, per cwt, | 5@6 |
| DRIED APPLES, | 11@12½ |
| DRIED PEACHES, | 15@25 |
| SUGARS, per lb | 12½@00 |
| MOLASSES, per gal | 70@1 00 |
| COFFEE, Java, | 45 |
| do Rio, | 35@40 |


WINONA AND HASTINGS

**MARBLE WORKS.**

The subscriber would respectfully give notice to the people of Hastings and elsewhere that he has constantly on hand the largest stock of Foreign and American Marbles ever brought west of Lake Michigan, consisting of all kinds of

LARGE SPIRE MONUMENTS,
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GRAVE STONES, MANTELS,
FURNITURE MARBLE, ETC.,

which he will finish to order in the most approved styles and for the lowest cash price. Parties wishing to purchase will do well to wait till my agent comes around or to write to me, before purchasing elsewhere. C. J. ALDRICH.

Shop opposite the court-house, Winona, and on Second Street, below Tyler, Hastings, Minn. 18-tf

# THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the Bank of Hastings, Exchange Block, Second Street.


## WAYSIDE GLEANINGS, From Here, There, and Elsewhere.

**Keep Your Eye on Your Neighbors.**

The following practical advice we glean from an exchange. It can hardly be improved upon: "Take care of them. Do not let them stir without watching. They may do something wrong, if you do. To be sure you never knew them to do anything very bad, but it may be on your account they have not. Perhaps if it had not been for your kind care, they might have disgraced themselves and families long ago. Therefore do not relax any effort to keep them where they ought to be: never mind your own business, that will take care of itself. There is a man passing along—he is looking over the fence—be suspicious of him; perhaps he contemplates stealing something, some of these dark nights; there is no knowing what queer fancies he may have got into his head. If you find any symptoms of any one passing out of the path of duty tell every one else you can see, and be particular to see a great many. It is a good way to circulate such things, though it may not benefit yourself or any one else particularly. Do keep something going—silence is a dreadful thing; though it is said there was silence in Heaven for the space of half an hour, do not let any such thing occur on earth; it would be too much like Heaven for this mundane sphere. If after all your watchful care, you should see nothing out of the way in any one, you may be sure it is not because they have not done anything bad; perhaps, in an unguarded moment, you have lost sight of them—throw out hints that they are no better than they should be—that you should not wonder if people found out what they were after a while, then they may not carry their heads so hight Keep it agoing, and some one else will take the hint and begin to help you after awhile—then there will be music, and everything will work to a charm.

**A Paragraph for Business Men.**

One fact has come to be pretty universally recognized, viz., that fortunes are not made in trade without some form of advertising. There are more fortunes established in a judicious system of advertising than in anything else, and knowing exactly how to advertise, is knowing exactly how to get trade. The public have become accustomed to having the claims of all trading establishments presented to them in some form of advertisement. Each man has his own way of expressing himself, and each trade has its own special wants. There is the fact, of course, that the absolute necessaries of life must be bought somewhere, and in the long run people will buy where they can buy the cheapest; but many a shop could, by good advertising, obtain a business in six months which it would otherwise be obliged to wait years for. Everything should be advertised—every new invention' every luxury, every new discovery; and it is here that the greatest degree of talent is requisite and manifest. If a man fail in the advertising department of this business, he will fail in all departments.

**Origin of the Term "Blue-Stocking."**

The following tit-bit we find in the *Pacific Monthly*—edited by a "Blue-Stocking," it seems—which will attract the eyes of our intelligent lady readers.

"This term had its origin from the society 'De la Calzs,' of the stocking, formed at Venice in the year 1500; the members being distinguished by their stockings, the prvailing color of which was Blue. The society De la Calza lasted till about the year 1790 when the foplings of Italian literature took some other symbol. The rejected title then crossed the Alps and branded female pedantry in Paris. It emerged from France and England, and for awhile marked the vanity of the small advances in literature in female coteries. But the propriety of its application is gradually ceasing; for we see in every circle that high attainments in literature can be reached without any loss of womanly virtue or attractiveness. Another supposed derivation of the appellation of 'Blue Stockings' is understood to have originated in the dress of old Benjamin Stillingfleet—grandson of the bishop—as he used to appear at the parties of Mrs. Montague, of Portman-square, London. He was jilted by a mistress, to whose remembrance he remained faithful, and, in spite of a disappointment which he then deeply felt, remained to the last one of the most amiable of men and entertaining of companions. Mr. Stillingfleet almost always wore blue worsted stockings; and whenever he was absent from Mrs. Montague's evening parties, as his conversation was very entertaining, the company used to say, 'We can do nothing without the blue-stockings,' and by degrees the assemblies were called the 'blue-stocking clubs,' and learned people 'blue-stockings.'"

**The Editor.**

The editor is the dupe of destiny. His lot was knocked down to him at a bargain, and it turned out to be a take in. His land of promise is a moving bog. His bed of roses is a high backed chair stuffed with thorns. His laurel wreath is a galand of nettles. His honors resolve themselves into a capital hoax; his pleasures are heavy penalties; his pride is the snuff of a candle; his power, but volumes of smoke. The editor is the most ill-starred man alive. He and he alone—the ten thousand pretenders notwithstanding—is indeed the identical martyr commonly talked of as the most ill used individual. He seems to govern opinion, and is in reality the victim to the opinion of others. He incurs more than nine-tenths of the risk and responsibility, and reaps less than one-tenth of the reward and reputation. The defeats of his work are liberally assigned to him—the merits are magnanimously imputed to his correspondents. If a bad article appear, the editor is unsparingly condemned, if a brilliant one be inserted, Anonymous carries off the elogium; the editorial function is supposed to consist "in the substitution of if be be for if it is. and the insertion of the word however here and there, to impede the march of a fine style." Commas and colons are the points he reputed to make—his niche of fame is merely a parenthesis—he is but a note of admiration to genius! His life is spent in ushering clever people into deserved celebrity, he sits,as charioteer, outside the vehicle, in which prodigious talents are driven to immortality. It is his fortune to insert all his contributers in the temple of glory, and to exclude himself "for want of space." He is always to "go in" but expires unpublished t last. He bestows present popularity on thousands, securing posthumous renown as his own share. His career in his life is a tale of mystery—"to be continued in the next.' He is only thought of when things go wrong in the journal. Curiosity then, looks out at the corners of its eyes and with brows and lips purse up, querulously ejaculates, "who is he?" If,by any chance, praise instead of censure should be meditated, the wrong man is immmediately mentioned. People are only certain of their editor when they design to horsewhip him. Is there a bright passage or two in an indifferent article, you may be sure they are not indebted for their polish to the editorial pen. Is there a dull phrase or harsh period in some favorite contribution? Oh! the editor has altered it, or neglected to revise the press! But if the editor is abused for what he accepts, he is twice abused for what he rejects. It is a curious feature of his destiny, that if he strikes out but a sin le line of an article, whether in verse or in prose, that line is infallible the crowing beauty of the production. Is it not a little odd, that when he declines a paper, that paper is sure to be by far the best thing its authority ever wrote? Accepted articles may be bad; rejected are invariably good. It is admitted that judgement is exactly the quantity which the editor has not. An author is praised in a review—he is grateful to an individual writer whose name he has industriously inquired for; an author is condemned in a review—he is unspeakable disgustwint the editor. Week after week, month after month, the said editor succors the oppressed, raises up the weak, applauds virtue, exalts talent; he pens or promulgates the praises of friends; of their book, pictures,self acting safety lamps,and steam paddles; but from the catalogue of golden names his own is an eternal absentee.

THE PRECIOUS LITTLE PLANT.—Two little girls, Bridget and Walburga, went to the neighboring town, each carrying on her head a heavy basket of fruit to sell for mony enough to buy the family dinner. Bridget murmured and fretted all the way, but Walburga only joked and laughed. At last Bridget got out of all patience, and said, vexedly: "How can you go on laughing so?" Your basket is as heavy as mine, and you are not one bit stronger. I don't understand it!"

"Oh!" said Walburga, "it is easy to understand I have a certain little plant that I put on the top of my load, and it makes it so light I hardly feel it. Why don't you do so too?"

"Indeed!" said Bridget," it must be a very precious little plant! I wish I could lighten my load with it! Where does it grow? Tell me. What do you call it?"

"It grows," replied Walburga," wherever you plant it and give it a chance to take root, and there's no knowing the relief it gives. Its name is patience."—*Herber.*

**Trees that Grow Shirts.**

Humboldt gives the following account which, on the first reading, would seem almost incredible, bnt wich we feign believe,because of the unquestioned probity of the extensive traveler:

"We saw," he says, "on the slope of the Cerra-Dniba, shirt trees fifty feet high. The Indians cut off cylindrical pieces two feet in diameter, from which they peel the red and fibrous bark, without making any longitudinal incision. This bark affords them a sort of garment which resembles a sack of very coarse texture, and without a seam. The upper opening serves for the head, and the two lateral holes are out to admit the arms. The natieves wear these shirts of Marina in the rainy season. They have the form of the ponchos and monos of cotton which are so common in New Granada, at Quito, and in Peru. As in this climate the riches and beneficence of nature are regarded as the primary causes of the indolence of the missionaries do not fail to say, in showing the shirts of Marina, in the forests of Oronoko, garments are found ready made upon the trees."

**The Little Philosopher.**

"What do sailors mean, uncle, by saying that a vessel sails so many knots an hour? What are knots, sir?"

"So many knots an hour means so many miles an hour, Robert."

"Why do they say knots then?"

"It is a nautical phrase, used principally by seafaring people."

"But there must be some reason for their using such a term. Has it anything to do with knots such as we make in a piece of string?"

"Well, it has Rob, something to do, as you say, with knots such as we make in a piece of string, for the term comes from knots that are made in the log-line with which every well-furnished vessel is supplied."

"A log-line, sir? Pray.what is that!"

"It is a line that is fastened to the log, by means of which a ship's speed is determined."

"And what is the log?"

"I see there is no getting rid of your questions until I have satisfied you upon the whole subject."

"I must say, uncle, I should like very much to know a little more about it."

"Very well. Let us go back to the begining of the matter. In order to navigate a vessel over a pathless ocean, it is necessary to find out, by some means or other, how fast she is going; for it is quite plain, even to landsmen like ourselves, that if a captain is ignorant of the speed of his vessel, it will be impossible for him to tell how far he has gone from the port he left, or how near he has approached to the port he is going to."

"Any one could see that."

"Well then now is he to find out the exact speed of his vessel? An experienced seaman might give a rough guess towards it by throwing a chip overboard and watching the rate at which a vessel passes it; but that would be a very uncertain method at best,and would lead to very serious errors. A more reliable method has been invented consisting of the common log line and half minute glass, which I will now explain to you."

"I have often heard of 'throwing the log,' uncle, but never had the curiosity to ask what it meant."

"The common log is a flat piece of wood in the form of a quadrant with a sufficent quantity of lead fixed to the circular edge to keep it steady, and in a perpendicular position on the surface of the water. Can you understand so much of the apparatus, Robert, from the brief description?"

"Yes, I think I can."

"Well, next there is the line. This line, or log line, as it is called, is fastened to the log in a peculiar manner. It is about one hundred and twenty fathoms long, and is divided into spaces of fifty feet; each space being marked or separated by a small strip of cloth or rag, just as a yard stick or foot-rule is marked by a line cut in the wood or metal. Have you any difficulty in conceiving such an apparatus as that,Rob?"

"No,sir, not at all."

"Now, then, there's the half-minute glass, the other part of the contrivance. You know what an hour-glass is?"

"Yes,sir. I had one some time ago, and I used to amuse myself by watching the sand run out by the clock. In very damp weather it would take a few seconds longer to run out than in fine weather."

"Well, we have nothing to do with that on the present occasion. All I wanted to know, was whether you had ever seen an hour glass. You say you have, therefore I have only to remark that the half-minute glass is precisely similar, only that its sands run thirty seconds instead of an hour, or sixty minutes, as in the case of the one you have just referred to. The knot of fifty feet marked upon the log-line bears the same proportion to a mile as a half-minute does to an hour."

"Let me try that on the slate, Uncle John."

"Well, never mind figuring it out now; I am well aware there is a little difference, and to be exact each knot should be fifty feet eight inches, but what I am stating is near enough for our purpose."

"I think, uncle, you must be wrong; 30 seconds are the 120th part of an hour, while 50 feet are more than the 120th part 5,280, which is the number of feet in a mile."

"Not in a nautical mile, Master Robert, which is 6.079 feet, and not 5,280, like our lands man's miles But to proceed: a half-minute, we will say, bears the same proportion to an hour as fifty feet do to a mile. Now, let us imagine ourselves on board a fine clipper ship, going pretty nearly before the wind. We are watching the operation of throwing the log. One of the seamen stands with a large reel, round which is wound the log-line; another holds the half minute glass, standing alongside the former, while a third holds the log, which he now throws over the ship's quarter into the sea. The log remains stationary while the line runs out. When he observes the first mark is going over the ship's side, which is usually a red flag at the distance of ten or twelve fathom's from the log, (that quantity, called *stray line*, being allowed in order to carry the log out of the eddy of the ship's wake,) he gives notice to the man who holds the glass to turn it; and as soon as the sand in the glass is run out the line is immediately stopped; then the number of knots and fathoms which had run off at the expiration of the glass, being considered as miles and parts, gives the distance the ship has run the preceding hour. If she has taken off ten knots while the half-minute glass was run out, then she has been going ten nautical miles per hour; if five knots, then five miles per hour, and so on"

"Thank you, thank you, Uncle John. I really fancy myself a sailor. I see that as plain as A B C. I now know something about the meaning of 'ten knots an hour.'"

## AGRICULTURAL.

POTATOES.—The Potato originated in South America, where it still grows wild. It was first brought to public notice about the year 1600. Almost every where its introduction met with opposition. The French especially were prejudiced against it and would not receive it for general culture, till a time of scarcity, during their evolution, fastened it upon them. Switzerland first grew potatoes in 1730. The old men of New England tell us that their fathers thought so little of the potato two bushels were considered a large supply for the winter use of a family. Beans and turnips were used more freely then. The use of potatoes is now almost universal. It is found alike upon the tables of the princely and in the hovels of the poor. As an article of diet, we have the opinions of scientific men that it is unsupassed even by bread. Prof. Shepherd. of Amherst,once said the potato contained every element necessary to produce a perfect Irishman. Workingmen usually love potatoes. This root has adapted itself to almost every soil and climate. A cool, wet season is not favorable to its growth.

Grass stands a dry summer better when sown in autumn than in spring. Still this cannot always be done,and we must sow grass seed at this season. If sown alone on spring plowed land, the soil should be well mellowed and a great abundance of seed put on. Farmers seldom use enough seed. After sowing light soils should be rolled, and heavy ones either bushed or let alone altogether. If sown with spring grains, there should also be a liberal quantity of seed used. The varieties must of course depends upon the land and the demands of the farm. For permanent meadow, the greater the number of kinds the better. The grass seed should be sown after the grain is covered, and left upon the surface to be washed in by the rains. A light dressing of gypsum and wood ashes is very beneficial after the grain is well up and covers the ground somewhat.—*Agriculturist.*

CHICKEN LICE—A Missouri correspondent writes to the *Country Gentleman:*—" We were much troubled with lice on our chickens. Two years ago we put in their house and yard, boughs and twigs of *cedar* from the Christmas dressings of our church, )Prot. Episcopal.) and the lice have disapeared. Cedar twigs are plenty in most localities, and having proved a remedy with us, may with others. Whether it is necessary that they should first be used in the church,deponent saith not. The church is lighted with coal oil,and this *may* have had effect."

A PROFITABLE CORN CROP.—Mr. George Woffie, of Gates, informs us that he had, last year, a field of nine acres of corn that produced over eighteen hundred bushels of ears. The field manured last plowed in it had been in corn the year before, and produced nearly as well. Mr. W. says he could have sold the stalks for $100, and he estimates that th stalks and pumpkins paid the whole expenses, of cultivation, leaving the corn net profit. In other words,the *profits were one hundred dollars per acre.—Genessee Farmer.*

A PROFITABLE FARM.—A. C. Fulton, of Davenport, Iowa, states in the *Prairie Farmer*, that the gross reciepts from his farm of sixty-two acres last year amounted to $18,111! The net profit, after deducting all expenses was $7.005! Twenty acres were put in wheat and corn, the remainder in onions, potatoes, sorghum, &c. It was the onion crop undoubtedly, which afforded such large profits. This is certanly a whopper—either the profits. or the statement!

LAND MEASURE—Every farmer should have a rod measure—a light, stiff pole—just 16½ feet long for measuring land. By a little practice he can learn to step a rod at five paces, which will answer very well for ordinary farm work. Ascertain the number of rods in width and length of a lot you wish to measure, and multiply one by the other, and divide by 160 and you have the number of acres, as 160 square rods make a square acre, if you wish o lay off one acre, measure thirteen rods upon each side. This lacks only one rod of full measure.

Mr. I. D. G. Nelson, of Indiana, writes the *Country Gentleman* that formerly he sowed but two bushels of oats per acre and was glad to get a return of thirty or forty bushels per acre. Now he sows never less than three and generally four bushels per acre, and if the land is very rich, moist. and abounding in vegetable mould, he sows even more and gets fifty to seventy bushels, and is never troubled with weeds.

The *Mark Lane Express* says: "The experience of the most advanced agricultural nations, like England, Germany, and France, goes to show that sheep are a necessity of a good general system ot husbandry, on even the highest-priced lands, and amid the densest population. They afford as much food to man in proportion to their own consumption of food, as any other domestic animal."

TICKS ON SHEEP.—A correspondent of the *Maine Farmer* says to destroy ticks on sheep, he takes good fine glazed gunpowder, opens the wool along the back and sprinkles about a thimbleful of it on each sheep. The oil in the wool will dissolve the powder and eradicate the ticks.

A FARMER in Otsego County last year cleared from fifty cows $2,005. or over $40 per cow. This is a good yield, but with cheese at 16 cents per pound and butter at 30 cents, it is nothing very remarkable.


## BUSINESS CARDS.

**Masonic.**

VERMILLION CHAPTER No. 2, R.·. A.·. M.·.—Stated meetings Friday on or preceeding full moon in each month at the hall, corner Second and Vermillion Streets.
C. W. NASH, H.·. P.·.
CHARLES ETHERIDGE, Secretary.

DAKOTA LODGE, No. 7, A.·. F.· and A.·. M.·.—Stated meetings 2d and 4th Wednesday in each month at their hall, corner of Second and Vermillion Streets
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C. P. FULLER, Secretary

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J. F. NEWTON, Secretary.

**I. O. of O. F.**

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E. J. CROSS, Recording Secretary.

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Special attention given to collections.
J. L. THORNE, Banker.
Hastings, Jan. 1, 1863. 43-tf

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NASH & HUDDLESTON,
Attorneys and Counselors at Law. Corner of Sibley and Second streets, Hastings, Minn.

H. S. JENNINGS,
Attorney-at-Law. Office next to Pringle's hardware store, Hastings, Minn.
June 30, 1863. 12-tf

A. M. HAYES. O. T. HAYES.
A. M. & O. T. HAYES,
Attorneys at Law, Vermillion street, near Second, Hastings, Minn.

S. SMITH. R. W. MONTGOMERY.
SMITH & MONTGOMERY.
Attorneys at Law, Hastings, Minn. Office on First Street, in Gardner's new Stone Block. 41-tf

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Hastings, Feb, 1, 1864. 44-tf

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OTTO STANNIS,
Homœopathic Physician and Surgeon. Office on Second street, opposite Thorn, Norrish & Co's. Hastings.

H. C. MOWERS,
Surgeon Dentist, Hastings, Office—North side Second street, between Ramsey and Sibley, over Thorne & Norrish's store.

DR. J. E. FINCH,
Physician and Surgeon, Hastings, Minn. Office corner of Second and Sibley Streets, rear of Nash & Huddleston's law office.
Hastings, June 30, 1863. 12-tf

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RIGHTER & NICHOLS,
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**Miscellaneous.**

CHARLES B. LOWELL,
General Land Agent. Civil Engineer, and Deputy Co Surveyor of Dakota County.

MRS. MARY TORRANCE,
Private Boarding House, has removed from Second Street to the stand formerly known as the City Hotel, Ramsey street, Hastings.

WM. SMITH,
Carriage and Wagon Maker, corner Vermillion and Fourth streets, Hastings. I am prepared to do all kinds of Wagon and Carriage work in the best possible manner, and at short notice.

P. B. COOK,
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Jan. 1, 1864. 39-tf

GROFF & BAILEY,
Real Estate Agents, No. 134 Third Street, (under Thompson's Bank,) St. Paul, Minn. City and county property bought and sold. Collections made and taxes paid for non residents. Also will attend to collection of rents, renting houses and business property. 17-1y

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Manufacturer of Harness and Saddlery Goods. Keeps constantly on hand Coarse and Fine Harness, Saddles, Bridles, Whips, Fly Netts, Horse Collars of extra quality. Particular attention paid to Repairing, on short notice. Carriages Trimmed in the latest style and finish. I would say to my customers that I am thankful for past favors, and hope for a continuance of their patronage. I will give them a better article and cheaper than they can buy in Minnesota.

A WANT IN HASTINGS SUPPLIED.

An exclusive BOOT and SHOE STORE, opposite Tremont *House*, has just been opened by

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with an immense stock, comprising a large assortment of

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*MISS'S* do do
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Men, Women, and Miss's

RUBBERS,

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Hastings, Nov. 10, 1863. 31-tf

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Call in and see one of the best stocks of goods in this market. Store corner of Second and Ramsey Streets.

D. E. EYRE.
Hastings, Nov. 3, 1863. 30-tf

CHEAP CASH STORE.

MARK WILLSON,

Dealer in

Staple and Fancy Dry Goods,

GROCERIES,

CLOTHING,

CROCKERY,

BOOTS AND SHOES,

HATS,

CAPS, and

FURS,

A large assortment always on hand,and all to be sold for ready pay only, and at the lowest price.

EXCHANGE BLOCK.

Hastings, Nov. 10, 1863. 31-6m*

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CROCKERY

all of which we have bought during the late panic in New York very low, and shall sell the same

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Thanking the public for their past liberal patronage, would respectfully request a continuance of the same.

THORNE, NORRISH, & Co.
May 7th, 1863. 4-tf

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J. W. PRATT,

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CLOTHS,

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TAILOR'S TRIMMINGS.

Garments Made to Order,

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Hastings, Jan. 15, 1864. 41-tf

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Have eaten his soul like a cankering rust,
Too much toll hath murdered his soul!
'Tis well
That the bell,
Sounding his death knell,
Cries toll! toll! toll!
As his miserly soul
Descends to its hell!

**Life.**

An infant on its mother's breast,
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A joy, a fear,
And all is o'er below!

A Dutch farmer, just clad in the ermine of justice of the peace, had his first marriage in this way. He first said to the man:

"Vell, you vants to be marrit, do you?

"Yes" answered the man.

"Vell, you lovish dis voman so good as any voman you have ever seen'?

"Yes"

Then to the woman:

"Vell. do you lovish dis man so better as any man you have ever seen?"

She hesitated a little, and he repeated: "Vell, vell, do you like so vell as to be his vife?"

"Yes."

"Vell, dat ish all any reasonable man can expect: so you are both marrit. I pronounce you man and vife."

The man drew out his pocket-book and asked the justice what was to pay.

"Nothing at all, nothing all; you are welcome to it if it vill do you any goot."

A half famished fellow in the southern states tells of a baker (whose loaves had been growing small by degrees and beautifully less,) who, when going his rounds to serve his customers, stopped at the door of one of them and knocked, when the lady within exclaimed, "Who's there?" and was answered, "The baker." "What do you want?" "To leave your bread." "Well, you needn't make such a fuss about it, put it through the key-hole!"

"WHAT," asked the schoolmaster, "is the term applied to the crime of possessing two wives at one time?" "bigamy," replied the scholars. "And if there be more than two, what should you call it?" The scholar reflected a moment, then chancing to cast his eye upon a map of Utah that decorated the wall, he smiled, and confidently answered: "Brigamy, sir!"

A farmer's wife meeting one of her neighbors returning from market, inquired, "What do they pay for eggs in market now?" "I only got eight cents a dozen for mine," was the reply. "Eight cents a dozen!" said the indignant dame, "Well, I shall not sell my eggs for eight cents—it don't pay for the wear and tear of the hen!"

"Annette, my dear, what country is opposite to us on the globe?"

"Don't know, sir."

"Well," said the perplexed teacher, "if I were to bore a hole through the earth, and you were to go in at this end, where would you come out?"

"Out of the hole' sir."

"Julius, was you ever in business?"
"In course I was!"
"What business?"
"A sugar planter!"
"When was that, my colored friend?"
"Der day I berried dat old sweetheart of mine."

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Why is a kiss like a rumor? Because it goes from mouth to mouth.

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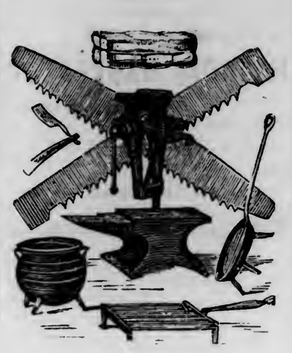

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JOHN THOMAS.

Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

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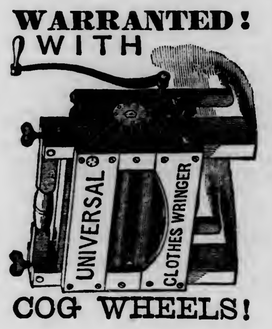


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**General Headquarters, State of Minnesota.**

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE, St. PAUL, MINN., March 12, 1864.

[GENERAL ORDERS, NO. 8.]

Having thus far been able to procure the proper credits for but a small number of the citizens of Minnesota who have enlisted in the military organizations of other states, owing in a great measure to the fact of our not being able to give the proper spelling of the name of the volunteer, and designation of his company and regiment; in order, therefore, that we may be enabled as far as possible to overcome these difficulties, it is recommended:

1. That supervisors of towns and common councils of cities, will procure and forward to this office by mail or other safe conveyance, at the earliest day practicable, affidavits in reference to such volunteers, who are not known to be already credited to some portion of the state.

2. Such affidavits must give the full name of the volunteer, correctly spelled, and if his name is known to be incorrectly spelled upon the muster roll of his company, such fact and such spelling should, likewise, be given, together with the number or other designation of the regiment and company in which he enlisted, and the state under whose auspices the same was recruited.

3. Each affidavit must contain a statement that the volunteer was a citizen, or actual resident of the town claiming him, together with such known facts as go to support that conclusion, such as the length of time he was such resident, his having voted or paid poll tax in the town, his having left his family therein, their having received assistance from the town &c.

4. A separate affidavit must be made for each volunteer claimed; and written upon one-half sheet of legal, or foolscap writing paper, neatly folded, with the name of the town making the claim, the name of the volunteer, and designation of his regiment and company plainly written on the back.

5. All such affidvits must be filed in this office on or before the 10th day of May, 1864, after which time abstracts will be made out for the several states in whose organizations such volunteers may have enlisted, and such abstracts forwarded to the Adjutant Generals of such states for comparison with the muster rolls and records on file in their respective bureaus.

The names of all such persons certified to by such adjutant generals as have enlisted from this state, will be submitted to the provost marshal general of the United States, and if by him found correct, they will be accredited to the towns establishing their right thereto. While we thus secure credit for a large number of volunteers, otherwise lost to the state and towns, yet it is not to be expected that full credit can be obtained for all that is justly our due, as the records in the offices of the several adjutants generals, do not in all cases contain an exhibit of residence.

By order of the commander-in-chief.

OSCAR MALMROS.
Adjutant General.

### Mr. Chase's Declination.

The announcement by telegraph that Mr. Chase declines to be longer considered a candidate, is what those have expected who knew his good sense and large heartedness. The people have so uniformly expressed their preference for another that it was but a useless expense of ink and anxiety to prosecute the candidacy further. Especially is this apparent when Ohio, Mr. Chase's own state, put in its voice with the general utterance, and declares for Mr. Lincoln.

This movement of Mr. Chase must be regarded as highly auspicious to the right cause. It removes a source of distraction, and allows the public sentiment to flow on unimpeded. Putting all military candidates out of the way,—for to none of them has the time come—no other name can now show the color of claim such as Mr. Chase's could exhibit. His withdrawal must be regarded as entirely simplifying the canvass; for although some faction of extremists may hang out some rag of a banner, somewhere, and shout themselves hoarse under it, no more disturbance to the great current of opinion will be produced, than the buzz of gnats will affect the flow of the river over which they whirl.

Mr. Chase will deserve and receive the profound respect of the people as the result of his action. He will exalt himself in their esteem and affection. It was not that he was undervalued that he is now passed by; but that Mr. Lincoln, being already elected, and conducting himself with such sterling integrity and with so much sagacity, it is deemed easier and better to keep him in the place than to run the necessary risks of a new man. There is no sacrifice of honor or respect by any party. The current of affairs will flow naturally on—Mr. Lincoln will be re-elected—and Mr. Chase will reach his turn in due time. Whatever view of it may be taken, his chance will never be poorer than now for an election, and will doubtless be much better. In any event, Mr. Chase preserves his own self-respect and the confidence of the country.—*Chicago Tribune.*

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At a lively little village in Illinois, not far from Woodstock, they have a benevolent association, one of whose objects is to watch over and care for its sick members. Last fall an unmarried young lady was admitted to membership. In a couple of months, she was blessed with a bright eyed babe, and was very sick. Some of the young lady members expressed to the chief officer their indignation, and asked him if he really thought it their duty to visit the unfortunate one. "I suppose not. You are not obliged to watch where there is a contagious disease.

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The Pennsylvania Railroad Company have purchased and are about to lay down at terminal stations, where the wear of rails is the most severe and rapid, one hundred and fifty tons of steel rails. Rails made of iron but steel capped are used already on most of the railroads of England and France; and experience proves that steel rails last more years than those of iron last months. A test made on the Derby and Midland Railroad showed that while iron rails endured at the termini only six or seven months' wear, cast-steel rails wore many years, and are still in such condition as to promise four or five years of longer use. The steel rail wears down fairly: the iron rail, as everybody has noticed, splits, and thus becomes useless, and what is worse, dangerous. Assuming that steel rails will last ten years, it is estimated that in one hundred tons there will be a difference, in their use, over iron rails, of $26,100, or a saving of $261. It is said no mills in this country are capable, without changes, to turn out steel rails at profitable rates. But no doubt we shall soon be able to manufacture them. There is a fair opening for capitalists here.—*N. Y. Evening Post.*

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FASHIONABLE APRONS.—Chenille, which is now applied to so many articles of the toilette, has at last found its way upon aprons, and those jaunty little garments which, while they preserve the front breadth of the dress, do not detract in the slightest degree from the smartness of their wearers, are trimmed with it. With white muslin dresses, wear aprons of the same collar as the sash and other trimmings; thus, with a pink sash a pink glace apron, and with a Mexican blue sash a Mexican-blue apron, etc. Black aprons are usually made of *gros grain*, are cut short with rounded corners, and many have latterly been trimmed with the flat-plaited chenille ornaments in several colors; these are sewn round the aprons, and at the top of the pockets, which run crosswise. Cord to correspond in color, with chenille tassels, are used to tie these aprons.

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One of the recent but now quite common application of photography to practical purposes of trade, is that of copying bulky articles of ornament or use, which are sold by the specimen or pattern. The traveling agent of a New York house in the silverware line, for example, instead of taking around the country a load of new furnished coffee-pots, urns, eggholders, etc. to show his customers, carries an album with the articles neatly photographed. At a glance the experienced customers can appreciate the novelty, or simplicity or beauty of the new design as readily as if he had the real thing before him, and does not hesitate to buy by the photograph patterns. The manifold advantages of doing business in this way are obvious. Eventually it will come into general use in a multitude of similar business operations.—*N. Y. Journal of Commerce.*

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The sceptre of King Cotton is wrested from him! The royal prerogative was sacrificed through the reckless passion and insane folly of his friends. Yet it is right; he never entitled to the distinction. First useful, then influential, then powerful, he became inflated with insufferable vanity, and odious with intolerable arrogance. Profiting by the lesson, reduced to his natural position, he may again become useful, perhaps travel north a little and act in a circle less circumscribed by prejudice and that "vaulting ambition" that so often overleaps itself.

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When Wilkes' *Spirit of the Times* was exposing Gen. McClellan's military blunders with much success, the democratic leaders poohed his statements as worthy of no sort of consideration. But now that the same journal has entered upon a most intemperate opposition to Mr. Lincoln, the democratic journals all copy its diatribes, and the leaders of the party with manifest joy exclaim, like their old prototype, Jack Bunsby: "There's wisdom for you; there's wisdom for you!"—*Chicago Tribune.*

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THE PLEASURES OF A CROWN.—Of sixty-seven royal and imperial Queens of France only thirteen have died without leaving their histories a record of misery or sin. Eleven were divorced, two executed, nine died young, seven were soon widowed, three cruelly treated, three killed, the poisoned and Broken hearted made up the rest. The pillow of royalty is, indeed, filled with thorns; and though crowns may look very bright, they feel very cold, heavy, and hard.

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It is said of a little child, who was just old enough to creep, that, upon seeing a ray of sunshine which had stealthily climbed over the casement into the room and fallen across the floor, he crept toward the shimmering object, looked at it, then crept around it, with face all a-glow with pure delight, and then, putting down his little lips, he kissed it! It is thus that we spontaneously kiss the memories of the world's *savans* and noblemen, whom it has been our honor to know and revere!

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The *Volksfreund*, a German paper in Cincinnati which supported Vallandingham for governor, raises the name of Fremont for the presidency. The reason stated is, that Fremont is available to beat Lincoln, and to beat Lincoln is or should be alone the chief end of the democracy.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

OFFICE OF COUNTY AUDITOR.
Hastings, March 10, 1864.

To the Town and City Officers of the County of Dakota, Minn.:

The board of county commissioners at their annual meeting in January last passed a resolution which they have this day modified so as to read as follows, to wit:

*Resolved*, That we, the county commissioners of Dakota County, Minn., taking into consideration the great expense to which the county is now subject in conveying and re conveying prisoners to and from Ramsey County jail, paying their expenses while there, keeping them here while on trial, do deem it expedient to build a County Jail as soon as practicable.

The said commissioners did also order and direct that the foregoing resolution be submitted to a vote of the electors of the county at their next annual town or municipal elections, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 17 of the laws of 1863, found on page 61, and that notice be given to you by publishing this notice three weeks successively in the newspapers printed in the county. The clerks will therefore incorporate the foregoing resolution in their respective notices for their town or city elections, and the vote must be taken by ballot. Each ballot should have written or printed thereon the words For County Jail or Against County Jail, as the elector prefers; the ballots counted and the results returned to this office in the same manner as the votes for county officers, within ten days thereafter. L. SMITH, Co. Auditor.

*Independent* and *Democrat* copy. 49-3t

U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE.

*Annual Taxes for 1864.*

The attention of tax-payers is hereby called to the provisions of the United States Excise Law relative to the assessment of annual taxes.

By the sixth section of the act of July 1, 1862, it is made the duty of all persons, partnerships, firms, associations, or corporations, made liable to any annual duty, license, or tax, on or before the 1st Monday of May in each year, to make a list or return to the assistant assessor of the district where so located of the amount of annual income, the articles or objects charged with a special tax, and the business or occupation liable to pay any license.

Every person who shall fail to make such return by the day specified will be liable to be assessed by the assessor according to the best information which he can obtain; and in such case the assessor is required to add fifty per centum to the amount of the items of said list.

Every person who shall deliver to an assessor any false or fraudulent list or statement, with intent to evade the valuation or enumeration required by law, is subject to a fine of five hundred dollars: and in such case the list will be made out by the assessor or assistant assessor, and from the valuation and enumeration so made there can be no appeal.

Payment of the annual taxes, except those for licenses, will not be demanded until the 30th day of June.

The appropriate blanks on which to make return and all necessary information will be furnished by ELI ROBINSON, assistant assessor for the 3d Division, to whom the returns should be delivered on or before the first Monday of May, at his office in Hastings.

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St. Paul, Feb. 29, 1864. 48-3w

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St. PAUL, Dec. 10, 1863.

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*Date of Mortgage.*—2d day of November, A. D. 1857.

Mortgage recorded 4th day of November A. D. 1857, at nine o'clock A. M., in the office of Register of Deeds of Dakota County, Minnesota, in book E of mortgages on pages 490 and 491.

*Description of Mortgaged Premises.*—All those tracts or parcels of land lying and being in Dakota County, territory, now state, of Minnesota, described as follows: Lots no. two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block 8, and lots number two 2, three 3, and four 4 in block number two 2, and lot number nine 9 in block number nine 9, and lots number four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block number twelve 12, and the undivided one half of block number six 6, all being in town of Brooklyn; it should have been all being in Brooklyn, and Dunnwell and Spencer's addition to town of Brooklyn—according to the survey and plat thereof on record and file in the office of register of deeds for the county of Dakota, also a piece of land described as follows to wit, lying and being in section seven 7, in township number twenty eight 28, range number twenty two 22 beginning at a stake at the intersection of the north line of Bahme's Lane with the certer line of the road as surveyed by James Thompson running from said point to Credit River, thence running along said road north thirty one degrees and thirty minutes, east two 2 chains and thirty eight 38 links to a stake. Thence north seventy four degrees, west five 5 chains and four 4 links to Bahme's east line, thence along said Bahme's east line south two 2 chains and thirty eight 38 links to the before mentioned land, thence along the north line of said lane, south seventy four 74 degrees, east three 3 chains and sixty nine links to the place of beginning, containing one acre more or less. Also six 6 fractions of land being lots number one 1, two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6 in block number nineteen 19, bounded on Manomin Avenue and Fourth Street in Oliver's addition to West St. Paul, according to the recorded plat on record in the office of Register of Deeds in and for the said county of Dakota and territory, now state, of Minnesota.

Said mortgage contains a power of sale and was given to secure the payment of a certain promissory note for two thousand three hundred and sixty dollars, bearing even date with said mortgage, and payable six months after date. There is claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice the sum of $3,304.

Default having been made in the condition of said mortgage and no suit or proceeding at law having been instituted to recover said mortgage or debt any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided and by virtue of a power of sale contained in said mortgage, the mortgaged premises above described will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder at the front door of the office of the register of deeds in Hastings, in said Dakota County, on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1864, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount then due on said mortgage,

Dated St. Paul, Jan. 20, 1864.
43-7t IRA BIDWELL, Mortgagee.
R. F. Crowell, Atty. for Mortgagee.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at the sitting of the district court of the first judicial district in and for the county of Dakota on Tuesday, the 22d day of March, 1864, in the city of Hastings, at 10 o'clock A. M., the undersigned proprietors of the north half of southeast quarter and south half of north-east quarter of section 23, township 114, range 19, in said Dakota County, which was surveyed and laid out in the year 1856 as West Empire City, will apply for the entire vacation of the survey of the same.

G. O. ROBERTSON.
MARY ROBERTSON.
Hastings, Feb. 9, 1864. 44-1m*

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## LEGAL NOTICES.

MORTGAGE SALE.—WHEREAS DEfault has been made in the conditions of two certain mortgages made and executed by John B. Spencer and Nancy Spencer his wife, of St. Paul, Ramsey County, territory (now state) of Minnesota, and D. W. C. Dunnwell and Mary Dunnwell his wife, of West St. Paul, Dakota County, territory (now state) of Minnesota, mortgagors, to Ira Bidwell, of said St. Paul, Minn., mortgagee, bearing date the 17th day of April, A. D. 1858, whereby the said mortgagors did grant, sell, and convey unto the said mortgagee, his heirs and assigns, the following described tracts or parcels of land, lying and being in the county of Dakota aforesaid, to-wit:

All that part of the lots numbered four (4), five (5), and eight (8), and of the north-east quarter of the south west quarter, of section five (5), of township number twenty-eight (28), of range number twenty-two (22), which is now owned by the said parties of the first part or any of them, except such portion thereof as is included within the town plat or within the addition of Dunnwell and Spencer, of the town of Brooklyn, in said Dakota County, the said lands hereby intended to be conveyed, containing about ninety (90) acres, about thirty (30) thereof lying and being contained in said fractional lot four (4), and about thirty (30) thereof in said fractional lot five (5), and about twenty (20) thereof in said fractional lot eight (8), and the remainder thereof in said north-east quarter of the south-east quarter.

Also block number three [3], block twenty-five [25], block twenty-six [26], block twenty-seven [27], block twenty-eight [28], lots number one [1], two [2], three [3], four [4], five [5], six [6], of block number twenty-nine [29], lots number one [1], two [2], three [3], four [4], in block number thirty [30], lots number one [1], two [2], five [5], six [6], seven [7], eight [8], and nine [9], in block number sixteen [16], lots number seven [7], eight [8], nine [9], ten [10] of block number fifteen [15], lots number two [2], three [3], four [4], five [5], and six (6) of block number eight (8), lots five (5), six (6), nine (9), and ten (10) of block number five (5), lots number seven (7) and eight (8) of block number twenty-four 24, and lots number one 1, two 2, three 3, four 4, five 5, and six 6, and fourteen 14, and fifteen 15, of block number twenty-one 21 all of Dunnwell & Spencer's addition to the town of Brooklyn, according to a plat thereof on record in the office of the register of deeds of said Dakota county.

Both of said mortgages were given to secure the payment of a certain promissory note for nine thousand and eighty-eight dollars and thirty-six cents, bearing even date with said mortgages, with interest thereon at the rate of three per cent per month, and payable on or before one year after date.

Each of said mortgages contains a power of sale, and was duly recorded in the office of the register of deeds of Dakota County aforesaid, on the 26th day of April, 1858, at nine o'clock A. M., in block F of mortgages, pages 199 and 200 and 202, 203, and 204.

And whereas there is claimed to be due upon said mortgages at the date of this notice the sum of $15,382. And no suits or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover said debt secured by said mortgages or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that pursuant to the statute in such case made and provided, the mortgaged premises above described will be sold at public auction, to the highest bider, at the front door of the office of Register of Deeds, in Hastings in said Dakota County, on the 19th day of March, A. D. 1864 at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, to satisfy the amount then due on said mortgages.

Dated, St. Paul, Jan. 20th, 1864,
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## THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29, 1864.

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### Advantages of Hastings.

We have before us a communication from a Pennsylvania man relative to the advantages of this town as a business point and as a place to live in, which we will endeavor to answer in as few words as possible. Hastings contains 3,000 inhabitants, and the usual complement of schools, churches, stores, hotels, printing offices, mills, etc. It is the market town for a territory extending back over one hundred miles, and in point of business will compare favorably with the other river towns of the state. Most of the trade is with farmers, whose wagons well laden with wheat may be seen in our streets nearly the year round. Large quantities of reapers, seed sowers, and other agricultural implements are yearly disposed of by agents, the machines mostly coming from Wisconsin and the eastern states. All branches of industry seem very active, and a man having the disposition need not remain long idle. Cost of living is not proportionately higher than at the East, and there is much less temptation to extravagance. There are two foundries in progress of erection, which will be completed the coming season. There is but little fruit raised in the county, but enough to make it evident that the only failure is the neglect to plant trees. Lumber is procured in abundance, but, like other things, it is valued highly. We would advise the gentleman, as he intends making a trip West, to call and see us. He will surely find "the latch string out."

### A County Jail.

One week from to-day the people of this county are to decide whether we, with a population of over ten thousand and with some twenty-five hundred legal voters, are to have a jail building of our own or whether we are to depend upon Ramsey County, as heretofore, for the safe keeping of all criminals. It is a question which we should meet fairly, without local prejudice, and act solely for the best interests of the county. It is merely a matter of dollars and cents; whether it would be well for us to save twelve or fifteen hundred dollars annually, or expend it as we do now in boarding prisoners at hotels, paying two or three men as guards, sheriff's mileage to St. Paul with them, and Ramsey County for board, etc. This is the issue, and we urge upon each and every voter to weigh it well before he acts. Let not other considerations, foreign to the subject, arise and bias your judgment. It is not any particular town which is to reap the benefit, but the whole county. Therefore we all are, or should be, interested in such enterprises for the general good of the people, and we trust the electors of Dakota County, at the coming town election, will show their public spirit by inscribing upon their ballots "For County Jail."

The Washington correspondent of the New York *Commercial* says: "The necessity of increased taxation is generally admitted, and all parties appear disposed to see that the forthcoming amended tax lists are not curtailed, although many of the representatives are sadly annoyed by their constituents, who say; "If the tax is raised on this, that, or the other article or profession it will endanger your chance for re-election this fall." In addition there are a few representatives whose pockets are directly interested in the different articles taxed, and who regard themselves and their respective articles as the exceptions that should be made. Meanwhile we know that the expenditures of current fiscal year will be $1,000 000,000, and the estimated amount to be raised by taxation is $156,239,456."

### To Subscribers.

Another number will close volume III., and it is desirable that those who wish to continue make necessary arrangements in season. It is impossible for us or any one to successfully publish a paper without prompt payments, and those who may be in arrears will please make a note of it. We wish to commence Volume IV. with new and clean books.

### Arkansas Re-Organized.

The election of state officers, legislature, and judges of the supreme court, under the President's amnesty plan, occurred in Arkansas on the 14th. The unconditional union ticket was elected without opposition. The state officers are as follows;

Governor, Isaac Murphy, of Madison County; lieut. governor, C, C. Bliss, of Independence County; secretary of state, R. J. T. White, of Crawford County; treasurer, E. E. Ayres, of Pulaski County; attorney general, C. T. Jourdan, of Clark County; judges of the supreme court, C. A. Harper, of Crawford County, T. D. W. Yonley, of Pulaski County, Elisha Baxter, of Independence County.

From present appearances the democracy, instead of dividing the union ranks, will have a split in their own. The democracy of Fairfield County, a leading county of Ohio, have instructed their delegates to the state convention, at Columbus, to support no delegates to the Chicago convention who is are in favor of any longer continuing the present war. Dr. Olds, who was in Fort Lafayette for a time, heads the list of delegates. On the other hand the democracy of Knox County instruct their delegates to vote for McClellan. We shall expect to see a bit of a row at the Chicago convention, and perhaps two candidates put in the field.

### Know Their Friends.

A recent number of a rebel newspaper—the *Mississippian*—contains the following significant paragraph:

"Have our neighbors read the Chicago *Times*, New York *Express*, Metropolitan *Record*, Cincinnati *Enquirer*, and various other papers of the North which are exponents of the opposition to Lincoln? Have they read the speeches of Bright, Voorhees, Merrick, and various others? Have they ever found in any of these papers or speeches a syllable that did not breathe the most orthodox states' rights doctrine, and uncompromising opposition to coercion? These are the men we wish to encourage, and these are the men whose success will bring peace."

We are often troubled with applications to exchange with papers printed half in Madison, half somewhere else. If a town is not large enough to support a whole paper, it amounts to so little that the items therein transpiring would not benefit us. Besides, one edition of the Madison *Journal* is all we want.—*La Crosse Democrat.*

Very true, Brick. Of course it don't apply to a paper printed half in St. Paul and the balance not half printed anywhere. Certainly not!

The Hastings edition of the St. Paul *Press* wishes us to deny the damaging statement of the alleged clandestine meeting between Generals Lee and McClellan, which has been going the rounds of the press. As we did not start the report, we do not consider ourselves under any peculiar obligations to retract. If it is true, we are sorry. That is all the apology we have to offer.

*Godey's Lady's Book* for April is received, and a cursory examination of its contents convinces us that it is fully up to the standard of previous issues. No lady should be without it. $3 per year, in advance.

A sensation, it is said, has been excited in Paris by the discovery that Voltaire's remains are no longer in the Pantheon where deposited, and have not been since 1815. Who removed them, and what for, does not appear.

There was a destructive fire in Hastings last week, destroying a large amount of property.—*St. Cloud Union. 24th inst.*

Which is a choice bit of information to us. Please give particulars, and oblige our citizens.

One of the agents of an insurance company in Hartford, in sending a small remittance of twelve thousand dollars from the West the other day, wrote upon the foot of the check: "Good for burns."

An exchange says the New York *Herald* has changed its programme, and now goes for Grant on Mondays instead of Tuesday—reserving the latter for its McClellan day. Thursday is still its Fremont day.

It is a very good idea for some papers to head their clippings of meaningless rhymes with the word "Poetry." Otherwise their readers would often be at a loss to decide.

The St. Paul *Press* has enlarged to an eight-column sheet, and now is the largest and widest circulated daily in the state. Long may it prosper.

An interesting epistle from our correspondent Quercus is unavoidably postponed till our next.

### From the Second Cavalry.

Editor Conserver:

I thought I would employ a few leisure moments in writing a few lines for your paper, trusting your readers may find some portion of it interesting, and as I am not in the habit of corresponding in this way I hope they will overlook the blunders. On the 20th day of Feb. I received orders from headquarters to take up the line of march on the 23d for Richmond, a post situated on the south bank of Sauk River, on a beautiful prairie, in the neighborhood of beautiful groves of timber. The soil is here, as in other parts of the state, in certain localities, rather sandy and poor, but after leaving the river it becomes richer. The timber is composed of hard maple, oak, and bass-wood; soil a rich, black sandy loam. Crops suffered last year for want of rain. The first town of any note after leaving St. Anthony is Anoka, the present terminus of the railroad. On the morning of the 23d the train started with the baggage and soldiers for our place of destination, under command of Lieut. Parliman and Lieut. Van Doren, with orders from me to proceed with Company F to Richmond, and to see that the men conducted themselves gentlemanly and peaceably towards the citizens, for which I would hold them responsible when they started. I stayed back to turn over stores and take up receipts, then I went by the way of St. Paul and stayed a few days to recruit for my company, as I wanted some twelve men, which I soon found, and was ready to start for my company on Saturday morning.

I took the train for Anoka. The old iron horse started at 7 o'clock A. M. and at 7:30 we arrived at St. Anthony. After a few minutes delay away we started, whistling and snorting over the prairie. At 9:50 we found ourselves safely landed within about a mile of the beautiful town of Anoka, which distance I walked through a cold, hard wind and reached the hotel kept by Lufkin, who is an agreeable and accommodating man. There I found my horse, which I ordered after dinner and mounting proceeded on my journey to the mouth of Crow River, where I stayed all night. The next day I went to Clear Lake, and put up at Moore's Hotel. He told me he used to reside in Hastings, and was well acquainted with many of the citizens of that place. On the next morning I started early for Richmond, and at 10:30 found myself at St. Cloud. After putting out my horse at the Central House I visited Capt. Kimball, the quartermaster, to ascertain the condition of the quarters at Richmond. He told me the rooms, some 13 in number, and as yet were only partially furnished, but he would furnish everything to make us all comfortable. I then left to visit Col. Thomas, of the 8th Regiment. I met him on the side-walk, with no mark by which you could distinguish him from one of his privates. He stopped and remarked, "Captain Smith?" I told him my name was Smith. I asked if it was Col. Thomas, and he replied in the affirmative. After arranging my business, at 2 o'clock P. M. I started for Richmond and arrived there at dark. Two days after my company had arrived Q. M Kimball furnished ten cooking stoves, five box stoves, and 55 cords of dry wood; and here let me say I was never treated more gentlemanly in my life than while at St. Cloud.

Col. Thomas is one of the excellent men of the earth, and I would not do Capt. Kimball justice did I not speak personally of him. He is a business man and a gentleman. Our post doctor is a native of New Orleans, and 2d cousin to U. S. Grant. The doctor, as all southerners are, is a kind and obliging fellow, and indeed I am free to acknowledge that the people are kind and obliging. The boys are generally well, and consume among other things about an average of 40 dozen eggs per day. A better set of men cannot be got up. People all agree they never saw a more gentlemanly set of men. More anon. T. M. SMITH.

Rev. Dr. Bellows, of New York, has had a call to take the pulpit in San Francisco recently made vacant by the death of Rev. Thos. Starr King, and announces his purpose to accept it. He only purposes to be absent six months.

The Wabashaw *Herald* cautions the masonic fraternity against a bogus concern claiming to be masonic, organized in Plainview, in that county, as there is no lodge there working under the authority of the grand lodge of the state.

### Speculators at Their Wit's End.

The extravagance and folly of New York in these hey days of abundant currency, are everywhere the subject of remark, not to say astonishment. The New York correspondent of the Boston *Journal* writes as follows:

Not since the war broke out have shrewd men been so much at their wits' end as now. Speculation is rampant and men are fairly mad with the gambling mania. But these are unfledged speculators, who have yet to learn how treacherous and uncertain the sea is on which they have launched their all. Men of capital are standing aloof from the madness of this hour. They confidently predict a crash that will be more sweeping than anything New York has known this century. A gentleman of large means called upon one of our largest and most successful brokers this week, told him he had $100,000 to invest and said to him, what would you advise me to do? Just then a donkey-cart went by, driven by an ash man. "Go and ask that man,' said the broker, "he knows as much about it as I do." Such is the general feeling among shrewd and experienced capitalists, speculations in real estate the past year have been astonishing. Prices have reached a figure that it is impossible for them to maintain. A broker in this city in 1863 hired a house on Fifth avenue, and took a lease at $3,000. This was considered a high price for it. In January last he underlet the house at the rate $8,500 a year semi-annually in advance. He is now traveling in Europe on the gain. A house that was sold last November for $40,000 was sold in February for $50,000, and the owner was grumbling over the loss of $10,000 in the sale, as he has since found a man who would have given him $60,000 for it. Men have been sold out of house and home by asking what they supposed to be an exorbitant price for their property and finding themselves suddenly taken up. One man offered a house that cost him $16,000 for $25,000. His offer was immediately taken. When the papers were drawn out, they were they made out to a third party, to whom the second sold at an advance of $10,000. An ex-mayor of the city, who lived in an elegant residence in sumptuous style, was visited one day by two ladies who asked permission to look at his house, stating that the house next door was for sale but the occupants would not allow them to view it. He courteously informed them that the houses in that block was exactly alike, and they might examine his house as fully as they pleased. On leaving, one of the ladies said to him, "I suppose you would not sell your house?" "Oh, yes," said his Honor, "I would sell anything but my wife and children. That afternoon he received a note from a leading real estate house, asking him if he would sell his house, and at what price. He offered it a $30,000. This offer was taken at once. The papers were passed and the money paid that night. The next day the house was sold for $40,500. Two or three things in this transaction made his honor a little unquiet. He offered his house $10,000 less than his next door neighbor asked. He had to abandon his comfortable and luxurious home instanter. He was literally turned into the street. Somebody made $10,500 out of him. Getting a fashionable residence at any price was out of the question. Nothing remained for him but the overcrowded Fifth Avenue Hotel. He is now with his family in the attic story, waiting for something to turn up.

### State News.

A new Catholic church is to be erected in St. Paul this summer, at a cost of about $10,000.

Gov. Miller has received a dispatch from Col. Fry authorizing him to raise a company of sharp shooters to be attached to the Sixth Regiment.

NEWSPAPER CHANGE.—Mr. J. L. Christie has purchased the *Whig* of '76, of Winnebago City. Friend Holley, of the land office, and late of the Chatfield *Republican*, will have charge of the editorial department. He is one of the best writers in the state.—*Mankato Union.*

REVIVAL.—We are requested to say that a most cheering revival is in progress in the Congregational church of this place. A large number are hopefully converted, and there are many still crying out; "What shall I do to be saved?" A similar state of feeling exists in several other congregations. "Let the good work still continue," is the prayer of every true Christian.—*Minneapolis Atlas.*

There is a bright eyed boy in this village by the name of V. H. Eddy, five years of age, who is wonderfully gifted with the multiplication of figures. Although he can neither read, write, or distinguish one figure from another, he will answer instantly any question in the multiplication table correctly, and will go on to 30 times 30, etc. Ask him a question, as, "how much is 17 times 19?" and he fixes his eyes upon yours, or some other object, and inaudibly commences the calculation in his head, with a slight movement of the lips, and in a few seconds he will invariably give you a correct answer. He is really a remarkable and promising child, whose equal we have never seen or heard of. The man that made the multiplication table will have to try again, as it is entirely too old fogy for our five year olds.—*Chatfield Democrat.*

## LOCAL AFFAIRS.

### P. O. Notice.—Winter Arrangement.

Mail going East closes at 10½ o'clock, A. M.
Mail for St. Paul closes on the arrival of the stages from below in the afternoon.
Faribault mail leaves at 6 o'clock A. M., closes at 9 o'clock P. M.
Office hours from 8 A. M. to 8 P. M.
WM. H. SKINNER, Post-Master.

### City Caucus.

The unconditional union men of Hastings are hereby invited to meet in caucus at Teutonia Hall on Saturday evening, April 2d, at 7 o'clock, to put in nomination a ticket to be supported at the ensuing city election.

Per order of committee.

IRVING TODD, Chairman.

Hastings, March 28, 1864.

BASE BALL.—This favorite amusement has become quite popular with the boys, and we notice that older heads occasionally take a hand in with great gusto.

REAL ESTATE.—We hear of several transfers of dwelling houses on Second, Street, at fair prices. The demand still remains good, and will probably continue to do so at present prices for lumber, labor, etc.

HEGIRA.—Some eight or ten of our merchants left for the East yesterday, to make their usual spring purchases. They chartered a coach, and will undoubtedly have a jolly time. Would that we were along to see.

THE POOR.—By a late act of the legislature the poor will become a county charge, instead of being borne by the several towns. This will relieve the city of Hastings from a serious expense, and tend to decrease the immigration of widow women with large families into town.

A RELIC.—We have been shown by M. O. W. TRUAX, lately returned from Chattanooga, Tenn., a common gavel made from a log cut by General HOOKER on the top of Lookout Mountain. It has been presented to Dakota Lodge, No. 7, and will be preserved as a memorial of these war times.

ANOTHER DRUG STORE.—A building has been removed from Nininger to the vacant lot on Second Street oppsite the post office, intended to be used by Mr. RAYMOND as a drug store. This makes the fifth or sixth, to our knowledge, that has been moved from the former place to Hastings within the past year.

A SUGGESTION.—If the property owners of this city do not bestir themselves soon we shall be left sadly in the rear. Other localities are making great discoveries in the way of coal, etc., and we haven't even a bed of peat! Good gracious! can't somebody do suthin! Nothing short of a first class gold mine will answer.

NAVIGATION.—The rains of the past few days and the high winds have told upon the ice, and every day it is growing beautifully less. The *Allen* was expected to leave for below last night, and anticipated but little opposition between here and the lake. Another day or two will see the boats in regular operation.

NOTICE.—We are requested to call the attention of our citizens to the fact that there will be a sanitary fair in St. Louis, begining May 17th and continuing two weeks, and that it becomes us to make an effort to assist in that good work. We hope that some action may be taken by the public spirited ladies of Hastings relative to this matter.

SCANDALOUS.—Some ill-natured wights, with a little less manners than brains, had the indecency to throw asafœtida upon one of the stoves at the Baptist exhibition last week, thereby highly offending the audience, who were greatly discommoded by the noxious vapor. Such outrages upon the community should meet with their just deserts.

STATE ROAD.—We understand that Messrs. ACKLEY and GUITEAU, of this county, and L. R. HAWKINS, of Scott, commissioners to locate the new state road between Hastings and Shakopee, have taken the preliminary steps towards a survey, which will be commence as soon as the frost is out of the ground sufficient to permit the driving of stakes.

THE EXHIBITION.—We attended the closing exercises of the students of the University at Teutonia Hall last Friday evening, and notwithstanding the sanctimonious *air* which prevailed, were very well entertained. The plays were well cast, and the performers displayed considerable ability for mere tyros. Receipts of the evening were about $70. The net proceeds—$50 are to be applied towards purchasing a bell for the University.

THE SCHOOL MEETING last Saturday evening met at 7 o'clock, F. M. CROSBY, esq.' in the chair. The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year:

*Director*,—M. MCHUGH.
*Treasurer*,—JOHN WHITE.
*Clerk*,—CHARLES ETHERIDGE.

Considerable discussion arose as to the amount of tax to be raised this year for school purposes, and a committee consisting of Messrs. LE DUC, MELOY, and WILSON were appointed so investigate the subject and report at the next meeting. Adjourned to Saturday evening next, at 7 o'clock.

CLOSED.—The winter term of the public school closed last Friday afternoon with the customary exercises. We were pleased to see the number of visitors in attendance, many more than we have noticed at any previous visit. All seemed well satisfied with the advancement of the pupils, and the teachers—Mr. A. D. HAYNES, Mrs. BELLE J. WAIT, and Miss SUSIE LYON—were highly complimented for their success. There will be a vacation of about a month.

TO VOTERS.—It is of the utmost importance that every person intending to vote at the coming municipal election should see that his name is properly registered on the poll list which is, or should be according to law, posted in some public place for inspection. The judges of election are required to be at the several places for opening of the polls on the Wednesday preceding the election—to-morrow—from 9 A. M to 5. P. M., for the purpose of making additions or corrections to the list. Also two hours before opening, on election day. A little attention on the part of voters will save a vast deal of trouble and confusion next Tuesday.

THE AGRICULTURAL MEETING on Thursday last. 24th inst., was very poorly attended, and nothing of any importance was done. Mr. CECIL of Douglass, reported twelve shares taken. Mr. DAY, of Castle Rock, seventeen, and Mr. HAZLETON, of Hampton, fourteen. This, with the town subscription, would not fall far short of sixty shares already subscribed. Not very bad considering the unsettled state of the country. The various committees requesting further time, the meeting was accordingly adjourned until Saturday, April 9th, at the same hour and place, at which time we hope to have all the reports in. A little enterprise alone is wanting to push the matter to a successful completion.

SHADE TREES.—One of the cheapest and most profitable improvements which can be made upon city residences is the planting of shade trees; the lack of which constitutes one of the greatest objections to the city of Hastings as a place of abode. Nothing tends to give a town a more cheerful and home-like appearance than full rows of thrifty and vigorous trees, and nothing is easier or less expensive. All it requires is a little time and care. Plenty of young trees, cotton-woods and maples, can be obtained upon the bottoms by going after them, and we earnestly hope our citizens will pay some attention to the important subject this spring. Beautify your homes; make them pleasant and attractive to your children; then you will have less cause to regret, in future years, their waywardness and your neglect.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.—Regular meeting, March 21, 1864. Present Mayor Thorne, Alds. Rehse, Meloy, and Taylor.

On motion the following persons were added to act as judges of election: Chas. Schroth and Eli Robinson, for 3d ward; W. P. Stanley, for 1st and 2d wards. (C. Johnson, of 3d ward, being unable to act.)

The council agreed to act as a committe to meet the committee appointed to lay out a state road between Hastings and Shakopee at the Tremont House on Tuesday, March, 22d, at 9 o'clock A. M.

The mayor and clerk were instructed to issue a war bounty bond for $100 to Edward F. Brown, in accordance with the resolution of the city council of Feb. 29th.

On motion of Ald. Meloy, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

*Resolved*, That the mayor and clerk of the city of Hastings be and they are hereby instructed to issue bonds of the city of Hastings in pursuance of an act of the legislature of the state of Minnesota, as approved March 6th, 1863, entitled "An act to authorize the city of Hastings to issue bonds to such persons as may hold the orders of said city upon their delivering up to the city said orders to be canceled to the amount of the bonds so issued, together with interest on the same from and since said orders were presented to the city treasurer for payment in denominations of not less than $25, payable in one, two, three, and four years, from July 1st, 1864, with interest at 7 per cent per annum, the interest to be made payable annually. *Provided* that said bonds shall bear no interest after the proper officers shall give notice that there is money in the treasury for the payment of the same.

*Resolved*, That the mayor and city clerk are hereby instructed to issue the bonds of the city of Hastings to any person who may hold orders drawn on the poor fund of the city for all the poor orders presented issued for the support of families of soldiers, said orders to be canceled; the bonds so given to be made payable in two, three, and four years, to bear interest at 10 per cent per annum, the interest to be made payable annually, said bonds to be issued in sums of not less than $25. *Provided* that the said bonds shall bear no interest after the proper officers shall give notice that there is money in the treasury to pay the same.

On motion of Ald. Meloy, the city council do hereby recommend that a tax of five mills on the dollar be voted upon at the next city election for support of the poor, and that the mayor is hereby requested to inform the different caucuses in regard to the same.

Adjourned till Monday, March 28, at 7 P. M.

### LOCAL NOTICES.

CLOTHING.—Call at PRATT'S, next to post office, for bargains. Suits made to order at short notice. The best cutter in town at PRATT'S.

MARK WILLSON'S continues to be a general favorite among the ladies, especially the young ones, and a deal of shopping is done at this well-to-do house. It is certainly deserving of it.

STANLEY still holds forth at the old stand on Ramsey Street, and people continue to patronize the favorite resort for bargains in the way of books, stationery, yankee notions, etc. Call in.

NEWMAN is constantly receiving additions to his stock of dress and dry goods, and buyers will find a large and ample assortment to select from. Union Block, Second Street.

We have been shown an emblem, made by ANDREWS, a present to Mr. C. H. L. LANGE, W. M. of Dakota No. 7, from members of the fraternity, which for beauty of workmanship or excellency of design is hard to excel. It is a highly creditable piece of work.

MACOMBER, when last heard from, was in New York buying goods, which are just beginning to arrive, and will be sold very cheap. Those who wish to examine the latest styles of watches and jewelry had better call in. They will be promptly waited upon by Mr. MILLS, who can beat MACOMBER immensely at showing articles.

### MARRIED.

At Nininger, March 21st., 1864, by Rev. C. S. Le Duc, Mr. JOHNSON R. TRUAX, of Nininger, and Miss MARY E. BERRY, of Hastings.

### CHURCH DIRECTORY.

ST. LUKE'S (Episcopal),—Rev. M. L. OLDS, Rector. Morning service 10½ A. M., evening service 3 P. M. Sunday School 2 P. M. Prayers on Wednesday and Friday, at 9 A. M.

PRESBYTERIAN, Rev. C. S. LE DUC, Pastor. Services 10½ A. M and 2½ P. M Sunday School 12 M Prayer meeting on Thursday evening.

METHODIST, Rev. T. M GOSSARD, Pastor. Hours of service 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Sunday School 2 P. M. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening.

BAPTIST, Rev. W. H. HUMPHREY, Pastor. Hours of service 10½ A. M. and 7½ P. M. Sunday School 2 P. M. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening.

CATHOLIC, Rev. —— HEARTH, Pas'or. Service each alternate Sabbath, at 10½ A. M. Sunday School at 2 P. M.


### NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

CHARLES B. LOWELL,

General Land Agent, Civil Engineer, and County Surveyor of Dakota County. Office in Gardner's Stone Block, corner Sibley Street and Levee. Hastings, March 26, 1864. 51-tf

WM. SALTZ,

House and Sign Painter, Sibley Street, opposite public square. Paper hanging, ornamental painting, etc. done to order at short notice. Contracts taken in the country. Hastings, March 29, 1864. 51-tf

CHAS. STRAUSS,

Dealer in Watches, Clocks, and Jewelry, nearly opposite post-office, Second street. All kinds of repairing and engraving done to order at short notice. A new stock just received. Prices as reasonable as the times will permit. Hastings, March 21, 1864. 50-1y

FLOUR! FLOUR!

Flour!

A lot of superior Flour for sale by the barrel, at a very low figure. Warranted to give satisfaction, or may be returned.

H. COOSWELL.

Hastings, March 17, 1864. 50-tf

HASTINGS CIGAR STORE.

M. SIMON,

Manufacturer of all kinds of Cigars and Tobacco, and Dealer in smoking and chewing

Tobacco and Snuff.

Orders from the country promptly attended to. Store on Second Street, near Vermillion, Hastings, Minn. 37-tf

# THE CONSERVER.

BY IRVING TODD.

Office Over the Bank of Hastings. Exchange Block, Second Street.


## WAYSIDE GLEANINGS, From Here, There, and Elsewhere.

**How to walk.**

In a graceful human step the heel is always raised before the foot is lifted from the ground, as if the foot were a part of a wheel rolling forward; and the weight of the body, supported by the muscles of the calf of the leg, rests for a part of the time on the fore part of the foot and toes. There is then a bending of the foot in a certain degree. But when strong wooden shoes are used, or any shoe so stiff that it will not yield and allow the bending of the foot, the heel is not raised till the whole foot rises with it; so that the muscles of the calf are scarcely used, and in consequence, soon dwindle in size and almost disappear. Many English farm servants wear heavy, stiff shoes, and in London it is a striking thing to see the drivers of country wagons with fine robust persons in the upper part, but with legs that are fleshless spindles, producing a gait that is almost awkward and unmanly. The brothers of these men, who are otherwise employed, are not so misshapen. What a pity that, for the trifle saved, fair nature should be thus deformed! An example of this kind is seen in Paris. There, as the streets have few or no side pavements, the ladies have to walk almost constantly on tiptoe, and the great action of the muscles of the calf of the leg has given conformation of limb and foot, to match which the Parisian belles proudly challenge the world—not aware, probably, that it is a defect in their city to which the peculiarity of their form is in part owing.

**Essay on Dogs.**

Josh Billings favors the world with a brief essay on dogs:

"Dogs in the lump," says Joshua, "are useful, but they are not always profitable. The Nufoundlin dog is useful to save children from drowning, but yu hav got tu hav a pond ov water, and children runnin 'round kareless, or else the dog aint profitable. There aint nothin made beatin a Nufoundlin dog. Rat terriers are useful to kech rats, but the rats aint profitable after yu hav keched them. The shepherd dog is useful tu drive sheep, but if yu hav got tu go and buy a flok ov sheep, and pay more than the are wuth, jist to keep the dog bizzy, the dog aint profitable, not much. Lap dogs are very useful, but if yu dont hold them in the lap awl the time, tha aint profitable at all. The koach dog is one ov the usefullest ov dogs i know ov, but yu hav got tu hav a koach, (and that aint always pleasant,) or yu kant realize from the dog. Thus we see that while dogs are ginerally useful, thare are times when they aint ginerally profitable."

**"Till Forbid."**

Few could find in the two little letters "tf," which are sometimes found at the end of an advertisement, and signify nothing more than that the advertisement is to be continued till forbidden, anything to make poetry about. The subject is apparently dry enough, affording but a narrow field for the display of rhetorical fancy; but the genius of the Chicago *Journal*, Mr. B. F. Taylor, strikes the hard and barren rock, and from it issues the pure stream of beauty and eloquence. Thus:

"Tf" rounds the summer of human hopes in delicately traced letters on beauty's brow; you may see it in every star that shines, every breeze that blows, every leaf of the forest, and every sand on the sea shore. "Tf" is wrought in the helms of the sweeping Tamerlanes of all times, and the silver head of the small voiced brook will not be broken without it.

"The young mother bending with a look of love over the fairest 'copy' her eyes have ever seen, forgets that in the little face, hid in the dimple of a cheek, or shaded in the tress of golden hair, few words are traced in life's autograph, that ere long obeyed, may leave her gazing up to the full heaven and sighing that summer air has wafted away forever the sweetest 'copy' in all the wide world. But the singer of the little song, that goes into all lands, wherever it is spring, reads no "tf" upon its pinions. He knows that it will card to other tunes, and win a welcome, that it will sing when he is dead; that the olive leaf he bears will never wither; that by and by a window will be opened in Heaven, and that a hand will be put forth, and, singing still, that tuneful bird of his will be touched with the "white radiance of immortal morning."

A Dutchman's heart-rending soliloquy is described thus: "She loves Shon Mickle so better as I, because he has got people tollers more as I has."

From the Lady's Friend.

**Ralph and I.**

Creak, crush, cramp! and with an unearthly groan the lumbering sleigh tipping over, throwing its noisy burden into an enormous snowdrift. It was Christmas eve, and we were going to Uncle Marsh's to have a little bit of a dance, and eat apples. I was literally buried alive. I was certainly stuck fast in the snow-drift, with the buffalo robes top of me, and half of the other girls top of those. I heard the splendid voice of Ralph Thompson, as he lifted the girls lightly up, while Ben Swift, (the only escort we half-a-dozen ladies had, for Parktown had sent a goodly number of her stalwart sons off to the wars, and two to six was about as they would average,) righted up the sleigh. I heard Ralph's rich voice.

"There is Miss Kitty Barns, all safe and sound," as he placed her in the sleigh; "and here is Miss Lucy Stone. You see I must keep count of you, so I will know when the last one is in. Here is Miss ———, let's see who it is. Ah, Miss Nettie Marsh. Mind that you brush the snow all off, girls. Who is this? Miss Sarah Coon. Here you go, back into the sleigh. And here is Mina Windermere. That is all, I believe. I don't see any more, at any rate. Drive on, Ben!"

The horses started. I began to flounder and kick, in a desperate effort to free myself from the drift of snow that had accumulated above me. The sleigh was moving. They were certainly leaving me. My wrath rose in comparison as I settled down farther under the snow, for wasn't this same Ralph Thompson my old sweetheart, and hadn't my heart beat high when I heard he was to make one of our pleasant company? He had only arrived from Washington—where he had been on government business—the night before, and I had looked forward to a meeting with him with high and feverish hopes. But now, alas! He had not even given the first token that I was recognized, when presented, and now—shade of Moses! was ever maiden so insulted? I had become a myth to the whole company. Oh, I *did* hope I could extricate myself and get away out of sight before they should miss me, if indeed they missed me at all. And I did. Just as I crawled behind a log some ways back of my cold living tomb, I heard the sleigh coming back, full speed. I listened. Ralph sprang from the sleigh and tore up the snow where I had just been buried, eagerly, hurriedly.

"Poor Jane. Perhaps she has frozen to death," exclaimed sweet Mina Windermere, in sorrowful tones.

"How she must feel, if alive, to think we went off and left her. Utterly forgot her existence," said Kitty Barnes.

"Good folks, she is not here," outspoke Ralph in a husky voice, as he turned again towards the sleigh.

"Not there? I wouldn't wonder if she had gone back home. Mr. Standish lives right there, you know," said Lucy Stone.

"I don't believe I should hunt any more, for we shall be late to singing-school. Come, get in, Mr. Thompson."

The contemptible little minx. I could see what her object was, in a twinkling. Thought she'd catch the gentleman,

"Drive on, Ben. Don't disappoint Miss Stone of her singing-school, but it is getting so late I think I wont go, but will just walk on and see if Jennie has got home."

The ladies demurred, but Ralph was inflexible.

I waited until he got nearly to the house, then I cut across the field, and just as he entered the front door, I slipped in at the back one, and proceeded to my room.

It was not long before Mrs. Standish came into my room to see if I was in it, before instituting a search.

"You need't ask me to meet him, Aunt, for I'll never speak to him again. He has cut my acquaintance completely. I was a myth tonight, and I will remain a myth," I said decidedly.

After she was gone, I paced my room with feelings that beggar description. All my youthful visions had faded, and I wished to meet him henceforth as the stranger I had seemed to night. My dream of love was gone.

I was passionately fond of skating, so early in the morning I proceeded out to the pond, which was just at the edge of Mr. Thompson's field. Ralph had been to the dance, and I knew he would not be awake as early as this, and besides that a large barn stood between the pond and his father's house, which effectually hid me from view. I had visited this pond every morning.

Ralph had an old mulley cow that he had left on the farm when he went to Washington, and this old cow had a passion for butting that no hardships could cure. Nevertheless, the old cow was the least of my troubles, for they always kept her shut up mornings. I sat down on a log at the edge of the pond, and began to buckle on my skates. What a sharp wind it was. It came in gusts across the meadow, biting my cheeks and frosting my eyebrows, and pinching my fingers savagely, as I buckled on my skates. They were on, and I had just stooped to pick up my warm fur gloves which I had dropped beside me, as I heard the clatter of hoofs behind me. I turned my head to see what was coming. Just as I felt a concussion in my back, which, as I stood firmly on my skates, only served to give an impetus to my progress, and I shot, rather than skated, across the corner of the pond, landing in an air-hole that took in both my feet which brought me plump down on the ice, in a sitting posture, with both feet, and a goodly portion above my ankles, immersed in mud and water.

I looked around as I landed. The cow, in her effort to keep her balance after finding that she had butted nothing substantial, was precipitated headlong on to the ice, and now lay floundering in a vain attempt to regain her feet. But this was not all I saw.

Flying across the field from the barn, came Ralph Thompson, steering straight for me instead of the cow. My face tingled with mortification and indignation. To add to my chagrin, all my frantic efforts to extricate myself before he reached me but made me more securely imbedded. My skate-irons had become tangled under the bogs, and all my exertions proved unavailing. Ralph came up behind me, and clasped his arms hurriedly around me and strove to draw me up on to the ice.

"Go away, sir; I won't let you help me. Go and help your cow up," I exclaimed resentfully.

"I can get out of here as well as I could out of the snow drift. I don't want you to touch me."

"But I will, though, and you can't help yourself. Your skates are clogged."

And, while I looked angrily at him, he bent down and thrust his delicate hand down into the muddy pool.

Now, said he as he drew me from the mud, "I want you to forgive me for my oversight last evening, not only about the overturn, but also for not recognizing you."

"Your cow, sir, wants immediate attention. Go to her."

"No; till you tell me you forgive me," holding my hands tight.

"My feet are cold, sir. Don't you see the mud?" and I turned my face resolutely away from him.

"Jennie, I never heard that your aunt had adopted you, and therefore in Jane Standish I recognized a sweet creature, but not my Jennie Derwent. Can you forgive me?"

I took my hands from his grasp and started for the house. I looked back from across the pond. He stood gazing after me with such a tearful look that I could bear it no longer. I went back to him and gave him my hand.

"Ralph Thompson, I forgive you. We will at least be friends."

"Nothing more?" and he drew me quickly towards him. "Will you not be my wife, Jennie, as you promised me years ago?"

"I will be your wife, Ralph. Now go and help your cow."

That winter we were married, Ralph and I.

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It is a graceful habit of children to say to each other, "Will you have the goodness?" and "I thank you." We do not like to see prim artificial children; there are few things we dislike so much as a miniature beau or belle. But the habit of good manners by no means implies affectation or restraint. It is quite as easy to say, "Please give me apiece of pie," as to say, "I want a piece of pie." The idea that constant politeness would render social life stiff and restrained, springs from a false estimate of politeness. True politeness is perfect ease and freedom. It simply consists in treating others just as you would like to be treated yourself. A person who acts from this principle will always be said to have "sweet pretty ways with her." It is of some consequence that your daughter should know how to enter and leave a room gracefully; but is of prodigiously more consequence that she should be in the habit of avoiding whatever is disgusting or offensive to others, and of always prefering their pleasure to her own.

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All girls who would be happy wives, and beloved and respected mothers, be real, be earnest in everything; let your principles be true, tolerate no sham, and the superstructure you shall build thereon shall be animate with your spirit, when you have laid down this life and taken up renewed existence in another world. In marriage, who would not rather take to his heart a reasoning, thinking spirit, tolerating no self-influence but that of uprightness, having reliant faith, loving sympathy, and active usefulness, as the only weapons for the daily warfare of crosses, perplexities and endurances, rather than a flippant, idle, ignorant girl, who, sooner than help her mother to lighten her burden of care and anxiety, is just the make-weight to pull her to the earth, and to keep her there, for the mother silently thinks, "Who will marry her?"

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Sincerity is the most compendious wisdom, and an excellent instrument for the speedy transaction of business; it creates confidence in those we have to deal with, saves the labor of many inquiries, and brings them to an issue in a few words. It is like traveling on a plain beaten road, which commonly brings a man sooner to his journey's end than by-ways, in which men often lose themselves. In a word, whatsoever convenience may be thought to be in falsehood and dissimulation it is soon over; but the inconvenience of it is perpetual, because it brings a man under everlasting jealousy and suspicion, so that he is not believed when he speaks the truth, nor trusted, perhaps, when he means honestly. When a man has forfeited the reputation of his integrity he is set fast, and nothing will then serve his turn, neither truth nor falsehood.—*Steele.*

There is a perennial nobleness and even sacredness in work. Were he never so benighted, forgetful of his high calling, there is always hope in a man that actually and earnestly works; in idleness alone there is perpetual despair. Work, ever so mammonish, or mean, is in communication with Nature; the real desire to get work done will itself lead one more and more to truth—to Nature's appointments and regulations which are truth. The latest gospel in this world is, know thy work, and do it. "Know thyself." long enough has that poor 'self' of thine tormented thee; thou wilt never get to 'know' it, I believe. I think it not thy business, this, of knowing thyself; thou art an unknowable individual; know what thou canst work at, and work at it like a Hercules! That will be thy better plan.

## AGRICULTURAL.

**Seasonable Hints to Farmers---Suggestions about Spring work.**

"Mild eternal spring" has come at last, and with it the endless routine of farm labor and care. Of all the seasons of the year the spring time is the most interesting and laborious to the farmer. Upon his judgment and exertion at this time depend the character and amount of his crops for the season, and if a good beginning is made his efforts are usually crowned with success. The first farm work of the season is to repair and rebuild the fences that have been thrown down by the action of the frost and by the winter wind. It is poor policy to get in crops to be destroyed either by unruly animals or by animals that merely help themselves because the fences are insufficient. Now is the time to attend to this duty, for there will be no opportunity to do it thoroughly after the season fairly opens. In the next place, keep your stock out of your meadows and pastures. Many are foddering from the stock in the field; better improve your first pleasant day in hauling out your hay, then leave your cattle to tramp up your meadow. Then clear the pasture until there is something for the stock to eat as there will be less pasture in proportion as the ground is cut up by the thoughtless hoof. In the third place, send the boys into the meadow with a rake, long-handled mauls to beat up and scatter the droppings of your stock and see that nothing lies about to obstruct the growth of your grass. Then don't plow when your ground is too wet. Half a crop is the penalty for violation of this law. The effect of imprudence in this is felt even more upon the second year's crop than the first. This will remind the farmer that he can plow his under-drained fields much earlier than those that are neglected in this respect.

ABOUT FRUIT TREES.

As the late cold weather has been very fatal to the fruit and fruit trees, too much care cannot be taken of them in reference to pruning and cultivation, to help them recover from the shock they have received. It will be necessary to replant in many localities some kinds of fruit trees; though great care will be essential to get young trees that are not damaged, to plant with any profit.

Trees and plants should be secured from localities where the extreme cold of January 1st did not prevail. If this is done they will start at once into a rapid and vigorous growth. There is a difference of opinion as to the time of transplanting fruit trees, even among the most enlightened horticulturists. Peach trees should invariably be transplanted in the spring, as the tender growth of the young wood would hardly bear a cold winter directly after planting. The proper rule to observe in regard to the planting of apple, pear, cherry, or plum trees, is to transplant when you are ready and can do so to the best advantage—whether in the spring or autumn. The earlier this is done in the spring, after the frost is out, the better, as they commence the season's growth earlier and can stand a dry season better.

PLANT STRAWBERRIES.

As it is doubtful whether 1865 will bring a full supply of fruit, it is recommended to plant the small fruits freely, especially the strawberry, that never fails. The spring is the best time to plant this healthful and luxurious fruit; and March is the best month. Soon as the ground can be put in good order, plant Wilson's Albany Seedling or Large Early Scarlet, in rows four feet apart and two feet in the row. The summer cultivation can chiefly be performed with the cultivator, provided the weeds are not allowed to get the start of you. It is but a slight job to dress a considerable patch, and if frequently done, but little work with the hoe will be necessary. But if you desire only a small garden patch, you had better plant two feet apart each way, and let but few young plants grow, and such only as are set the greatest distance from the hill. By this method, of course, hand culture must be relied upon. If your daughters would attend to this as well as other garden work, they will not be injured by the exercise. Let the girls stir themselves out-doors moderately, but regularly every day. Many daughters of the country are becoming namby-pamby. I know some of the town—an evil that should be corrected by all parents who under-tand the relations of out-door air and exercise to health. Those who have but a limited tract of land will do well to raise from one to ten acres of strawberries, according as the market is more or less accessible. All farmer's should have a family patch, as the cost is little and the luxury very great. There are several other varieties of this very excellent fruit that we might name, all very good, but for general culture the above, with perhaps the addition of Hovey's seedling, will be found a sufficient variety.

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When the frost is fairly out of the ground and the soil is left light and porous, the seed of clover may be sown. If a light fall of snow can be taken advantage of, this is best, for the seed may be seen, and the uniformity of the cast regulated. A few days after sowing, roll dry soil—that is after the snow is off, and of course when no frost remains, and when cattle can go upon the ground. It benefits the grain and covers the seed. Sixteen pounds of seed to the acre is not too much on good clayey loam.

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A cheese factory is to be erected in Cheshire, Mass., 100 by 30 feet in size. It will be ready for occupancy this spring, and it will be sufficient to consume the milk of 400 cows. Another edifice of about the same size is to be erected near Cheshire Corners.


## BUSINESS CARDS.

**Masonic.**

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# THE CONSERVER.

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## WAYSIDE GLEANINGS, From Here, There, and Elsewhere.

**How to walk.**

In a graceful human step the heel is always raised before the foot is lifted from the ground, as if the foot were a part of a wheel rolling forward; and the weight of the body, supported by the muscles of the calf of the leg, rests for a part of the time on the fore part of the foot and toes. There is then a bending of the foot in a certain degree. But when strong wooden shoes are used, or any shoe so stiff that it will not yield and allow the bending of the foot, the heel is not raised till the whole foot rises with it; so that the muscles of the calf are scarcely used, and in consequence, soon dwindle in size and almost disappear. Many English farm servants wear heavy, stiff shoes, and in London it is a striking thing to see the drivers of country wagons with fine robust persons in the upper part, but with legs that are fleshless spindles, producing a gait that is almost awkward and unmanly. The brothers of these men, who are otherwise employed, are not so misshapen. What a pity that, for the trifle saved, fair nature should be thus deformed! An example of this kind is seen in Paris. There, as the streets have few or no side pavements, the ladies have to walk almost constantly on tiptoe, and the great action of the muscles of the calf of the leg has given conformation of limb and foot, to match which the Parisian belles proudly challenge the world—not aware, probably, that it is a defect in their city to which the peculiarity of their form is in part owing.

**Essay on Dogs.**

Josh Billings favors the world with a brief essay on dogs:

"Dogs in the lump," says Joshua, "are useful, but they are not always profitable. The Nufondlin dog is useful to save children from drowning, but yu hav got tu hav a pond ov water, and children runnin 'round kareless, or else the dog aint profitable. There aint nothin made boardin a Nufoundlin dog. Rat tearriers are useful to kech rats, but the rats aint profitable after yu hav keched them. The shepherd dog is useful tu drive sheep, but if yu hav got tu go and buy a flok ov sheep, and pay more than tha are wuth, jist to keep the dog bizzy, the dog aint profitable, not much. Lap dogs are very useful, but if yu dont hold them in the lap awl the time, tha aint profitable at all. The koach dog is one ov the usefullest ov dogs i know ov, but yu hav got tu hav a koach, (and that aint always pleasant,) or yu kant realize from the dog. Thus we see that while dogs are ginerally useful, thare are times when they aint ginerally profitable."

**"Till Forbid."**

Few could find in the two little letters "tf," which are sometimes found at the end of an advertisement, and signify nothing more than that the advertisment is to be continued till forbidden, anything to make poetry about. The subject is apparently dry enough, affording but a narrow field for the display of rhetorical fancy; but the genius of the Chicago *Journal*, Mr. B. F. Taylor, strikes the hard and barren rock, and from it issues the pure stream of beauty and eloquence. Thus:

"Tf" rounds the summer of human hopes in delicately traced letters on beauty's brow; you may see it in every star that shines, every breeze that blows, every leaf of the forest, and every sand on the sea shore. "Tf" is wrought in the helms of the sweeping Tamerlanes of all times, and the silver head of the small voiced brook will not be broken without it.

"The young mother bending with a look of love over the fairest 'copy' her eyes have ever seen, forgets that in the little face, hid in the dimple of a cheek, or shaded in the tress of golden hair, few words are traced in life's autograph, that ere long obeyed, may leave her gazing up to the full heaven and sighing that summer air has wafted away forever the sweetest 'copy' in all the wide world. But the singer of the little song, that goes into all lands, wherever it is spring, reads no "tf" upon its pinions. He knows that it will card to other tunes, and win a welcome, that it will sing when he is dead; that the olive leaf he bears will never wither; that by and by a window will be opened in Heaven, and that a hand will be put forth, and, singing still, that tuneful bird of his will be touched with the "white radiance of immortal morning."

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A Dutchman's heart-rending soliloquy is described thus: "She loves Shon Mickle so better as I, because he has got people tollers more as I has."

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From the Lady's Friend.

### Ralph and I.

Creak, crush, crumple, and with an unearthly groan the lumbering sleigh tipping over, throwing its noisy burden into an enormous snowdrift. It was Christmas eve, and we were going to Uncle Marsh's to have a little bit of a dance, and eat apples. I was literally buried alive. I was certainly stuck fast in the snowdrift, with the buffalo robes top of me, and half of the other girls top of those. I heard the splendid voice of Ralph Thompson as he lifted the girls lightly up, while Ben Swift, (the only escort we half-a-dozen ladies had, for Parktown had sent a goodly number of her stalwart sons off to the wars, and two to six was about as they would average,) righted up the sleigh. I heard Ralph's rich voice.

"There is Miss Kitty Barns, all safe and sound," as he placed her in the sleigh; "and here is Miss Lucy Stone. You see I must keep count of you, so I will know when the last one is in. Here is Miss ———, let's see who it is. Ah, Miss Nettie Marsh. Mind that you brush the snow all off, girls. Who is this? Miss Sarah Coon. Here you go, back into the sleigh. And here is Miss Windermere. That is all, I believe. I don't see any more, at any rate. Drive on, Ben!"

The horses started. I began to flounder and kick, in a desperate effort to free myself from the drift of snow that had accumulated above me. The sleigh was moving. They were certainly leaving me. My wrath rose in comparison as I settled down farther under the snow, for wasn't this same Ralph Thompson my old sweetheart, and hadn't my heart beat high when I heard he was to make one of our pleasant company? He had only arrived from Washington—where he had been on government business—the night before, and I had looked forward to a meeting with him, with high and feverish hopes. But now, alas! He had not even given the first token that I was recognized, when presented, and now—shade of Moses! was ever maiden so insulted? I had become a myth to the whole company. Oh, I *did* hope I could extricate myself and get away out of sight before they should miss me, if indeed they missed me at all. And I did. Just as I crawled behind a log some ways back of my cold living tomb, I heard the sleigh coming back full speed. I listened. Ralph sprang from the sleigh and tore up the snow where I had just been buried, eagerly, hurriedly.

"Poor Jane. Perhaps she has frozen to death," exclaimed sweet Mina Windermere, in sorrowful tones.

"How she must feel, if alive, to think we went off and left her. Utterly forgot her existence," said Kitty Barnes.

"Good folks, she is not here," outspoke Ralph in a husky voice, as he turned again towards the sleigh.

"Not there? I wouldn't wonder if she had gone back home. Mr. Standish lives right there, you know," said Lucy Stone.

"I don't believe I should hunt any more, for we shall be late to singing-school. Come, get in, Mr. Thompson."

The contemptible little minx. I could see what her object was, in a twinkling. Thought she'd catch the gentleman.

"Drive on, Ben. Don't disappoint Miss Stone of her singing-school, but it is getting so late I think I wont go, but will just walk on and see if Jennie has got home."

The ladies demurred, but Ralph was inflexible.

I waited until he got nearly to the house, then I cut across the field, and just as he entered the front door, I slipped in at the back one, and proceeded to my room.

It was not long before Mrs. Standish came into my room to see if I was in it, before instituting a search.

"You need't ask me to meet him, Aunt, for I'll never speak to him again. He has cut my acquaintance completely. I was a myth to-night, and I will remain a myth," I said decidedly.

After she was gone, I paced my room with feelings that beggar description. All my youthful visions had faded, and I wished to meet him henceforth as the stranger I had seemed to night. My dream of love was gone.

I was passionately fond of skating, so early in the morning I proceeded out to the pond, which was just at the edge of Mr. Thompson's field. Ralph had been to the dance, and I knew he would not be awake as early as this, and besides that a large barn stood between the pond and his father's house, which effectually hid me from view. I had visited this pond every morning.

Ralph had an old mulley cow that he had left on the farm when he went to Washington, and this old cow had a passion for butting that no hardships could cure. Nevertheless, the old cow was the least of my troubles, for they always kept her shut up mornings. I sat down on a log at the edge of the pond, and began to buckle on my skates. What a sharp wind it was. It came in gusts across the meadow, biting my cheeks and frosting my eyebrows, and pinching my fingers savagely, as I buckled on my skates. They were on, and I had just stooped to pick up my warm fur gloves which I had dropped beside me, as I heard the clatter of hoofs behind me. I turned my head to see what was coming. Just as I felt a concussion in my back, which, as I stood firmly on my skates, only served to give an impetus to my progress, and I shot, rather than skated, across the corner of the pond, landing in an air-hole that took in both my feet which brought me plump down on the ice, in a sitting posture, with both feet, and a goodly portion above my ankles, immersed in mud and water.

I looked around as I landed. The cow, in her effort to keep her balance after finding that she had butted nothing substantial, was precipitated headlong on to the ice, and now lay floundering in a vain attempt to regain her feet. But this was not all I saw.

Flying across the field from the barn came Ralph Thompson, steering straight for me instead of the cow. My face tingled with mortification and indignation. To add to my chagrin, all my frantic efforts to extricate myself before he reached me but made me more securely imbedded. My skate-irons had become tangled under the bogs, and all my exertions proved unavailing. Ralph came up behind me, and clasped his arms hurriedly around me and strove to draw me up on to the ice.

"Go away, sir; I won't let you help me. Go and help your cow up," I exclaimed resentfully.

"I can get out of here as well as I could out of the snow drift. I don't want you to touch me."

"But I will, though, and you can't help yourself. Your skates are clogged."

And, while I looked angrily at him, he bent down and thrust his delicate hand down into the muddy pool.

Now, said he as he drew me from the mud, "I want you to forgive me for my oversight last evening, not only about the overturn, but also for not recognizing you."

"Your cow, sir, wants immediate attention. Go to her."

"Not till you tell me you forgive me," holding my hands tight.

"My feet are cold, sir. Don't you see the mud?" and I turned my face resolutely away from him.

"Jennie, I never heard that your aunt had adopted you, and therefore in Jane Standish I recognized a sweet creature, but not my Jennie Derwent. Can you forgive me?"

I took my hands from his grasp and started for the house. I looked back from across the pond. He stood gazing after me with such a tearful look that I could bear it no longer. I went back to him and gave him my hand.

"Ralph Thompson, I forgive you. We will at least be friends."

"Nothing more?" and he drew me quickly towards him. "Will you not be my wife, Jennie, as you promised me years ago?"

"I will be your wife, Ralph. Now go and help your cow."

That winter we were married, Ralph and I.

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It is a graceful habit of children to say to each other, "Will you have the goodness?" and "I thank you." We do not like to see prim artificial children; there are few things we dislike so much as a miniature beau or belle. But the habit of good manners by no means implies affectation or restraint. It is quite as easy to say, "Please give me apiece of pie," as to say, "I want a piece of pie." The idea that constant politeness would render social life stiff and restrained, springs from a false estimate of politeness. True politness is perfect ease and freedom. It simply consists in treating others just as you would like to be treated yourself. A person who acts from this principle will always be said to have "sweet pretty ways with her." It is of some consequence that your daughter should know how to enter and leave a room gracefully; but is of prodigiously more consequence that she should be in the habit of avoiding whatever is disgusting or offensive to others, and of always prefering their pleasure to her own.

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All girls who would be happy wives, and beloved and respected mothers, be real, be earnest in everything; let your principles be true, tolerate no sham, and the superstructure you shall build thereon shall be animate with your spirit, when you have laid down this life and taken up renewed existence in another world. In marriage, who would not rather take to his heart a reasoning, thinking spirit, tolerating no self-influence but that of uprightness, having reliant faith, loving sympathy, and active usefulness, as the only weapons for the daily warfare of crosses, perplexities and endurances, rather than a flippant, idle, ignorant girl, who, sooner than help her mother to lighten her burden of care and anxiety, is just the make-weight to pull it to the earth, and to keep her there, for the mother, silently thinks, "Who will marry her?"

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Sincerity is the most compendious wisdom, and an excellent instrument for the speedy transaction of business; it creates confidence in those we have to deal with, saves the labor of many inquiries, and brings them to an issue in a few words. It is like traveling on a plain beaten road, which commonly brings a man sooner to his journey's end than by-ways, in which men often lose themselves. In a word, whatsoever convenience may be thought to be in falsehood and dissimulation it is soon over; but the inconvenience of it is perpetual, because it brings a man under everlasting jealousy and suspicion, so that he is not believed when he speaks the truth, nor trusted, perhaps, when he means honestly. When a man has forfeited the reputation of his integrity he is set fast, and nothing will then serve his turn, neither truth nor falsehood.—*Steele.*

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There is a perennial nobleness and even sacredness in work. Work he never so benighted, forgetful of his high calling, there is always hope in a man that actually and earnestly works; in idleness alone there is perpetual despair. Work, ever so mammonish, or even, is in communication with Nature; the real desire to get work done will itself lead one more and more to truth—to Nature's appointments and regulations which are truth. The latest gospel in this world is, know thy work, and do it. "Know thyself," long enough has that poor 'self' of thine tormented thee; thou wilt never get to 'know' it, I believe. I think it not thy business, this, of knowing thyself; thou art an unknowable individual; know what thou canst work at, and work at it like a Hercules! That will be thy better plan.

## AGRICULTURAL.

### Seasonable Hints to Farmers---Suggestions about Spring work.

"Mild eternal spring" has come at last, and with it the endless routine of farm labor and care. Of all the seasons of the year the spring time is the most interesting and laborious to the farmer. Upon his judgment and exertion at this time depend the character and amount of his crops for the season, and if a good beginning is made his efforts are usually crowned with success. The first farm work of the season is to repair and rebuild the fences that have been thrown down by the action of the frost and by the winter wind. It is poor policy to get in crops to be destroyed either by unruly animals or by animals that merely help themselves because the fences are insufficient. Now is the time to attend to this duty, for there will be no opportunity to do it thoroughly after the season fairly opens. In the next place, keep your stock out of your meadows and pastures. Many are foddering from the stock in the field; better improve your first pleasant day in hauling out your hay, then leave your cattle to tramp up your meadow. Then clear the pasture until there is something for the stock to eat as there will be less pasture in proportion as the ground is cut up by the thoughtless hoof. In the third place, send the boys into the meadow with rake, long-handled mauls to beat up and scatter the droppings of your stock and see that nothing lies about to obstruct the growth of your grass. Then don't plow when your ground is too wet. Half a crop is the penalty for violation of this law. The effect of imprudence in this is felt even more upon the second year's crop than the first. This will remind the farmer that he can plow his under-drained fields much earlier than those that are neglected in this respect.

ABOUT FRUIT TREES.

As the late cold weather has been very fatal to the fruit and fruit trees, too much care cannot be taken of them in reference to pruning and cultivation, to help them recover from the shock they have received. It will be necessary to replant in many localities some kinds of fruit trees; though great care will be essential to get young trees that are not damaged, to plant with any profit.

Trees and plants should be secured from localities where the extreme cold of January 1st did not prevail. If this is done they will start at once into a rapid and vigorous growth. There is a difference of opinion as to the time of transplanting fruit trees, even among the most enlightened horticulturists. Peach trees should invariably be transplanted in the spring, as the tender growth of the young wood would hardly bear a cold winter directly after planting. The proper rule to observe in regard to the planting of apple, pear, cherry, or plum trees, is to transplant when you are ready and can do so to the best advantage—whether in the spring or autumn. The earlier this is done in the spring, after the frost is out, the better, as they commence the season's growth earlier and can stand a dry season better.

PLANT STRAWBERRIES.

As it is doubtful whether 1865 will bring a full supply of fruit, it is recommended to plant the small fruits freely, especially the strawberry, that never fails. The spring is the best time to plant this healthful and luxurious fruit; and March is the best month. Soon as the ground can be put in good order, plant Wilson's Albany Seedling or Large Early Scarlet, in rows four feet apart and two feet in the row. The summer cultivation can chiefly be performed with the cultivator, provided the weeds are not allowed to get the start of you. It is but a slight job to dress a considerable patch, and if frequently done, but little work with the hoe will be necessary. But if you desire only a small garden patch, you had better plant two feet apart each way, and let but few young plants grow, and such only as are set the greatest distance from the hill. By this method, of course, hand culture must be relied upon. If your daughters would attend to this as well as other garden work, they will not be injured by the exercise. Let the girls stir themselves out-doors moderately, but regularly every day. Many daughters of the country are becoming namby-pamby, like some of the town—an evil that should be corrected by all parents who understand the relations of out-door air and exercise to health. Those who have but a limited tract of land will do well to raise from one to ten acres of strawberries, according as the market is more or less accessible. All farmer's should have a family patch, as the cost is little, and the luxury very great. There are several other varieties of this very excellent fruit that we might name, all very good, but for general culture the above, with perhaps the addition of Hovey's seedling, will be found a sufficient variety.

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When the frost is fairly out of the ground and the soil is left light and porous, the seed of clover may be sown. If a light fall of snow can be taken advantage of, this is best, for the seed may be seen, and the uniformity of the cast regulated. A few days after sowing, roll dry soil—that is after the snow is off, and of course when no frost remains and when cattle can go upon the ground. It benefits the grain and covers the seed. Sixteen pounds of seed to the acre is not too much on good clayey loam.

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A cheese factory is to be erected in Cheshire, Mass., 100 by 30 feet in size. It will be ready for occupancy this spring, and it will be sufficient to consume the milk of 400 cows. Another edifice of about the same size is to be erected near Cheshire Corners.


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Hastings, Nov. 10, 1863. 31-6m*

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May 7th, 1863. 4-tf

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A dear companion here abides;
Close to my thrilling heart he hides;
The holy silence is his voice;
I lie and listen, and rejoice.
—*Atlantic Monthly.*

### Office Seekers' Wives.

When Mrs. Vallandigham left Dayton to join her husband, just before the election, she told her friends that she expected never to return until she did so as the wife of the governor of Ohio. We suppose Mrs. Brough will object.—*Exchange.*

This reminds us of a pleasant little affair that occurred in a neighboring county a few years since. (Lyons?)

A gentleman was nominated for supervisor. On leaving home on the morning of election, he said—

"Wife, to-night you shall sleep with the supervisor of this town!"

The election passed, and the confident gentleman was defeated. The wife heard the news before her defeated spouse returned home. She immediately dressed for going out, and waited her husband's return, when she met him at the door. "Wife, where are you going this time of night?" he exclaimed.

"Going?" she replied "why, you told me this morning that I should to-night sleep with the supervisor of this town, and as Mr. L——s is elected instead of yourself, I was going to his house."

She didn't go out and he acknowledged he was *sold*, but pleasantly redeemed himself with a new Brussels carpet. —*Fulton Patriot and Gazette.*

A Frenchman, having been but a short time in New York, was invited to partake of a large bowl of punch, a liquor which he had never tasted before. The next day, speaking of his entertainment, he asked:—"Vat dey call dat liquor dat be all *contradiction*: where de brandy to make him strong, and de water to make him weak, de sugar to make him sweet, de lemon to make him sour?" "I suppose you mean *punch*?" said one. "Aye, *punch!*" said Monsieur. "It almost punched out my brains last night!"

"Why is it, senator, after we have had so many weeks of fair weather, that you have brought your umbrellh to the capitol?" asked a gentleman the other day of Bluff Ben Wade. Because," was the reply, "they says that the Army of the Potomac is in motion, and of course it will storm within twelve hours."

A son of the Emerald Isle, once riding to market with a sack of potatoes before him, discovered that the horse was getting tired, whereupon he dismounted, put the potatoes on his shoulders, and again mounted saying, "It was better that he should carry the praties; he was fresher than the poor baste.

The other evening a gentleman's button caught hold of the fringe of a lady's shawl. "I am attached to you," said the gentleman, laughing, while he was industriously trying to get loose. "The attachment is mutual," was the good-humored reply.

"Have you ground the tools all right, as I told you this morning when I went away?" said a carpenter to a rath r green lad whom he had taken as an apprentice. All but the hand-saw, sir," replied the lad, proudly; "I couldn't get all the gaps out of that."

A gentleman who was in arrears for several weeks' board and lodging, complained one morning that his coffee was not settled. "You had better settle for the coffee and then complain," said the landlady.

What is the difference between a blind man, and a sailor in prison? One cannot see to go, and the other cannot go to sea.

The loud tones in which some people appeal to reason imply that reason is a great distance from them.

Many men and woman have sad occasion to know that two do not necessarily make a pair.

What do we seek redress for? Injuries. Where do we find it? In juries.

If a man marry a shrew, are we to uppose he is shrewd?

## HARDWARE.

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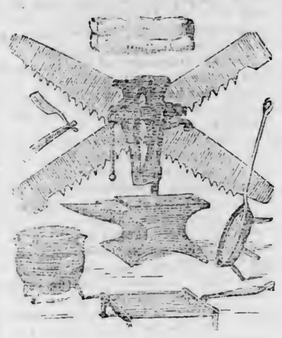

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If you want any kind of tools cheap and good, go to Thomas.

If you want hatchets or axes of the best quality, go to Thomas' Cheap Store

If you want kerosene oil cheap and good go to Thomas.

**HARDWARE.**

If you want stoves and tinware of the best quality and cheap as the cheapest, go to the cheap hardware store of John Thomas.

If you want locks, latches, butts and screws, or any kind of house trimmings, Thomas' is the place to buy.

If you want sheep shears, gopher traps, smooth irons, iron bench screws, augurs, augur bitts, hand bells, cow bells, or any article kept in a hardware store, go to Thomas' and get it cheap and of the best quality.

**HARDWARE.**

Try it and see if you cannot make money at it.

JOHN THOMAS.

Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

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Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

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—*Atlantic Monthly.*

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The election passed, and the confident gentleman was defeated. The wife heard the news before her defeated spouse returned home. She immediately dressed for going out, and waited her husband's return, when she met him at the door. "Wife, where are you going this time of night?" he exclaimed.

"Going?" she replied "why, you told me this morning that I should to-night sleep with the supervisor of this town, and as Mr. L——s is elected instead of yourself, I was going to his house."

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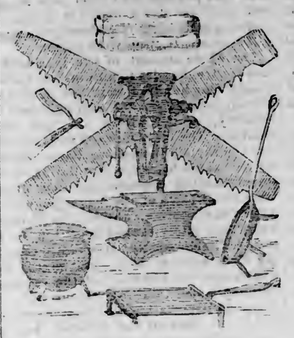

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Hastings, May 14, 1863. 5-tf

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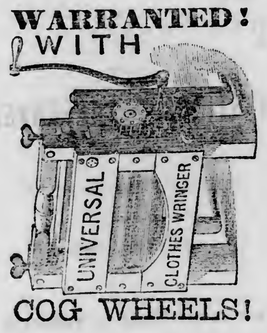


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# THE CONSERVER.

### Pilatka, Florida.

This place, which has been occupied by our troops in Florida, is on St. John's River, sixty miles above Jacksonville. The purpose of the occupants is to hold the place permanently, probably because it is the most interior point which it will be safe to hold. The river from that point to the Ocean is in fact an estuary, deep and easily navigable. Pilatka was formerly occupied by about five hundred inhabitants. At present, only a half dozen families are in the place. The buildings, gardens, and grover are really in excellent condition, not showing the usual indications of devastation and ruin. The town is nearly stripped of moveable property. In peaceable times it was noted for its exports of cotton, tobacco, and lumber, from it and the surrounding country. At one point, twenty five miles from Pilatka, three thousand bales of cotton are represented to be stored.

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The Oxford (Me.) *Democrat* tells a story of two members of the House of Representatives of 1849, Shephard Cary and a Mr. Leavitt, usually known as "Old Father Leavitt." Father Leavitt got the impression that if he voted just opposite Cary he would be sure to be right, and as Cary was called first on the list it gave Leavitt the cue how to vote. One day upon the call of yeas and nays Cary, for the time being out of his seat, did not answer the call of the clerk. This puzzled the old gentleman Leavitt, and when his name was called he hesitated, but finally voted *nay*. But he seemed to be in great doubt whether he had voted right. At the call for the absentees Cary voted *yea*. At this response Father L. threw up both hands exclaiming, "thank God I am right!" This brought down the house.

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The stringency of the union blockade is one of those eventualities against which the rebels are attempting to provide. They have already advised the people to trust rather in the hand-card, hand-loom, and spinning-wheel, than on southern factories, the machinery of which is fast wearing out, without the prospect of replacing it. As to blockade-running, they confess that the chances to supply the confederacy with goods through that channel are growing smaller and smaller every day. In order not to be taken unawares in one of the most useful of all supplies, cloth, they have decreed that henceforward no sheep or lambs shall be sold for food. This decree makes a southern paper say that "between the great scarcity of beef, the high price of pork, and the prohibition of mutton, the community is likely to enjoy a season of unhallowed lent."

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Gen. Burnside was at Chicago recently and was the recipient of a public reception and ovation on the part of the citizens. The *Tribune* says: "The reception of Gen. Burnside, on Saturday evening at Bryan Hall, was a splendid tribute to the hero and deliverer of East Tennessee. Altough the call was almost impromptu, hundreds were unable to obtain admission to the hall. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed throughout the vast assemblage, and the sentiment of the meeting was one of unconditional loyalty and devotion to the country and of determined opposition to rebels and their allies, the copperheads and the copperhead press."

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The vote of Louisiana for governor, as officially returned, stands: Hahn, 6,158; Follows, 2,720; Flanders, 1,847. Terrebonne parish, the returns from which were not received in time to count, would change these totals to: Hahn, 6,171; Fellows, 2,950; Flanders, 2,225; Hahn over both, 996; total vote of the state, 11,346. The total vote of the state at the Presidential election of 1860 was 50,150. The number of votes cast this year is therefore considerably over one fifth of that of 1860, or more than twice as many as were required by the amnesty proclamation.

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It is predicted by experienced business men of the house that, under the operation of the gold law gold will go slowly down to 140. The mode of selling it by the secretary of the treasury, it is said, will be to let Mr. Cisco daily supply merchants with certificates or coin at the market rates, whatever they are, and occasionally as necessary to throw into the market a quantity of coin, the object in both cases being the absorption of gold in the treasury over and beyond its requirements.

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A letter from Washington to the Indianapolis *Gazette* says: A few days ago, the workman employed upon the dome discovered that a dove was making her nest in the ample sleeve of the bronzen goddess. Day after day, week after week, this industrious bird, with the assistance of her mate, was observed to fly back and forth, while gathering materials necessary for the purpose. Her home is now established in the sleeve of liberty, and in due time, she will send her broodlings forth from thence into the world. Is it not an agreeable incident?

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The New York *Times* states that Kentucky is twenty thousand behind her quotas under the October and February calls. In view of this fact, her attitude in reference to the enrollment and draft of negroes is about as impudent as can be conceived.

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The Atlanta *Intelligencer* of the 9th inst. says: "Mrs. White, of Selma, Ala., sister of Mrs. Lincoln, has arrived from Washington, having smuggled through a rebel uniform, the buttons of which were gold, and worth $"

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The ovation to the black regiment, which left New York on the 7th inst., was a striking manifestation of the change in public sentiment which single year has brought about. In the streets of a city where nine months ago negroes were hunted down like dogs, a regiment of them marched in solid platoon with shouldered muskets, slung knapsacks, and buckled cartridge boxes, to the pealing strains of martial music, and were everywhere saluted with waving handkerchiefs, with descending flowers, and with the acclamations and plaudits of the countless beholders.

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Gen. Siegel is now in command of the department of West Virginia, with special instructions to keep the guerrillas from the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. He has a force nearly organized now to penetrate into all the strategic portions of his department. His business will be to guard against any possibility of an interruption of travel on the Baltimore and Ohio road. Col. McCallum a few days ago made a demand upon the principal locomotive builders of the North for the delivery, within a reasonable time, of two hundred locomotives. These are to be employed in transportation of troops from one point to another, and when military necessity requires, all other travel will cease upon the roads so engaged.

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The Missouri *Republican* reports that gold-bearing ore is now found in Madison county, Missouri. An assayer and analytic chemist in St. Louis has proved some surface ore sand reports. Conglomerate 1120 grains of gold to the ton equals $67,20 per ton. Quartz conglomerate: 560 grains to the ton, equal to $33,60 per ton. These were from surface ores entirely, says the *Republican*, and confirm experiments made several times during late years, which indicate a yield ranging from $22 to $112 per ton. It is estimated that the cost of working the ores for gold will not exceed $5 per ton, and a company is to be formed for that purpose

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The checkered career of Santa Anna has taken him once more to the shores of his native land. He arrived at Vera Cruz with his family on the 27th ult., but his advent created no excitement. It was rumored that he had recognized the French intervention on condition that he should be permitted to issue a manifesto to the Mexican people, but that after he had affixed his signature to the document, he was informed that he would not be allowed to make public his manifesto. It is thought that the French will withdraw their main army from the country as soon as a force for Maximilian can be organized from the foreign legion and native Mexicans.

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WOMAN.—Lady Worthy Montague, the famous wit and beauty, made the most sarcastic observation that was ever published about her own sex. "It goes far," said my lady, to "reconcile me to being a woman when I reflect that I am thus in no danger of ever marrying one!" What if a man had said that? But see how another lady, the unfortunate Countess of Landsfelt, inverted the sentiment and turned the satire into the most delicate and generous of compliments. "I never behold a beautiful woman," said Lola Montez in one of her lectures, "but I fall in love with her myself, and wish I were a man that I might marry her!"

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THE Kentucky negroes are represented in Congress, and yet her slaveholders deny the right of the country to claim service from them in war as from other men. By their count in the representation, each negro has, at least, the status of three-fifths of a man constitutionally. If the Kentuckians are precise about the matter, the government must take five "niggers" in order to get three men.

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It is said that the country is to have a second draft in order to raise two hundred thousand additional men. Well, even this leaves a very large portion of our able-bodied population at home, whilst, on the rebel side, the whole people from sixteen up to fifty are forced into the service. We can certainly afford to make, if necessary, as general a fight for the re-establishment of the mighty old Union as the rebels can for the creation of a wretched rebel confederacy.

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How does Mr. Lincoln stand in Iowa?" was the query of a sturdy old farmer from that state. "Stand," was the reply, with glistening eyes and raising his brawny fist. "Old Abe stands seventeen feet higher in Iowa than any other man in the United States."

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In St. Louis recently, a man and his wife were arranging for a separation. The principal difficulty was the baby, which the woman tearfully begged to be allowed to keep, while the man angrily refused. At length, the wife almost threw the child into her husband's arms and exclaimed, "Take it, I can soon have another."

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The following cities in Iowa have recently cleaned out the copperheads at the polls: Des Moines, Burlington, Farmington, Montrose, Cedar Rapids, Muscatine, Tipton, Indianola, Oskaloosa, Iowa, City, Mount Pleasant, De Witt, Le Claire.

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Gen. Scott has nearly completed his autobiography, tracing his personal history downward from the earliest period to the latest public acts of his eminently useful and honorable life. The work will create a sensation when published.

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Basil Duke, the guerrilla, is a Yale graduate of 1845. He is now in Fort Delaware.

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| U. S. Demand Notes, | 50 | 60 |
| Canada, | 50 | 60 |

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| WHEAT, per bushel, | 80@85 |
| CORN, do | 85a1 00 |
| OATS, do | 70@75 |
| POTATOES, do | 60@75 |
| BEANS, do | 3 00 |
| ONIONS, do | 2 50 |
| CRANBERRIES, | 4 00 |
| HAY, per ton, | 7 00@9 00 |
| WOOD, per cord, | 2 75@4 00 |
| SALT, per bbl | 4 00 |
| EGGS, per doz | 12@15 |
| BUTTER, per lb. | 18@20 |
| CHEESE, per lb | 15@18 |
| PORK, per cwt. | 6½@7½ |
| HAMS, per cwt, | 10@12½ |
| SHOULDERS, per cwt, | 5@6 |
| DRIED APPLES, | 11@12½ |
| DRIED PEACHES, | 15@25 |
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| MOLASSES, per gal | 70a1 00 |
| COFFEE, Java, | 45 |
| do Rio, | 35@40 |

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Hastings, Nov. 20, 1862. 32-tf

## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, COUNTY OF Dakota—ss. Probate court.

At a special session of the probate court held at the probate office in the city of Hastings in and for said county of Dakota, this 21st day of March, 1864. Present Seagrave Smith, judge.

In the matter of the petition of John S Prince, of the city of St. Paul, in the county of Ramsey and state a oresaid, as guardian of Pierre Provencelle, Harriet Provencelle, Mary A. Provencelle, and Flora Provencelle, minors, residing in said county of Dakota, praying for a license to sell so much of the real estate of said minors as may be necessary for their support, education, etc.

On reading and filing said petition it is ordered that the next of kin of said wards and all persons interested in their said estate be and they are hereby directed to appear before this court at the probate office in the city of Hastings in said county on the 20th day of April, 1864. at one o'clock in the afternoon of said day, to show cause (if any they have) why license should not be granted to said petitioners to sell the real estate of said wards for the purpose aforesaid.

It is further ordered that notice of said hearing be giving by publishing a copy of this order in the Hastings *Conserver*, a newspaper printed and published in the city of Hastings in said county. once in each week for three successive weeks immediately prior to said 20th day of April, 1864. SEAGRAVE SMITH,

50-3w Judge of Probate.

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U. S. INTERNAL REVENUE.

*Annual Taxes for* 1864.

The attention of tax-payers is hereby called to the provisions of the United States Excise Law relative to the assessment of annual taxes.

By the sixth section of the act of July 1, 1862, it is made the duty of all persons, partnerships, firms, associations, or corporations, made liable to any annual duty, license, or tax, on or before the 1st Monday of May in each year, to make a list or return to the assistant assessor of the district where so located of the amount of annual income, the articles or objects charged with a special tax, and the business or occupation liable to pay any license.

Every person who shall fail to make such return by the day specified will be liable to be assessed by the assessor according to the best information which he can obtain; and in such case the assessor is required to add fifty per centum to the amount of the items of said list.

Every person who shall deliver to an assessor any false or fraudulent list or statement, with intent to evade the valuation or enumeration required by law, is subject to a fine of five hundred dollars: and in such case the list will be made out by the assessor or assistant assessor, and from the valuation and enumeration so made there can be no appeal.

Payment of the annual taxes, except those for licenses, will not be demanded until the 30th day of June.

The appropriate blanks on which to make return and all necessary information will be furnished by ELI ROBINSON, assistant assessor for the 3d Division, to whom the returns should be delivered on or before the first Monday of May, at his office in Hastings.

H. G. O. MORRISON,
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St. Paul, Feb. 29, 1864. 48-3w

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The government requires all duties on imports to be paid in coin; these duties have for a long time past amounted to over a quarter of a million of dollars daily, a sum nearly three times greater than that required in the payment of the interest on all the 5 20's and other permanent loans. So that it is hoped that the surplus coin in the treasury, at no distant day, will enable the United States to resume specie payments upon all liabilities.

The loan is called 5-20 from the fact that whilst the bonds may run for 20 years yet, the government has a right to pay them off in gold at par, at any time after 5 years. The interest is paid half-yearly, viz.: on the first days of November and May.

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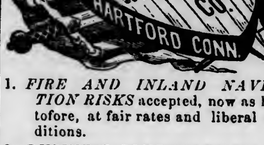

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OFFICE OF COUNTY AUDITOR.
Hastings, March 10, 1864.

To the Town and City Officers of the County of Dakota, Minn.:

The board of county commissioners at their annual meeting in January last passed a resolution which they have this day modified so as to read as follows, to wit:

*Resolved*, That we, the county commissioners of Dakota County, Minn., taking into consideration the great expense to which the town or city is now subject in conveying and re conveying prisoners to and from Ramsey County jail, paying their expenses while there, keeping them here while on trial, do deem it expedient to build a County Jail as soon as practicable.

The said commissioners did also order and direct that the foregoing resolution be submitted to a vote of the electors of the county at their next annual town or municipal elections, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 17 of the laws of 1863, found on page 61, and that notice be given to you by publishing this notice three weeks successively in the newspapers printed in the county. The clerks will therefore incorporate the foregoing resolution in their respective notices for their town or city elections, and the vote must be taken by ballot. Each ballot should have written or printed thereon the words For County Jail or Against County Jail, as the elector prefers; the ballots counted and the results returned to this office in the same manner as the votes for county officers, within ten days thereafter. L SMITH, Co. Auditor.

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G. O. ROBERTSON.
MARY ROBERTSON.

Hastings, Feb. 9, 1864. 44-1m*

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Hastings, Jan. 15, 1864. 41-tf

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